

# ARKANSAS REGISTER

## Proposed Rule Cover Sheet



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## NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

The Director of the Division of County Operations of the Department of Human Services announces for a public comment period of thirty (30) calendar days a notice of rulemaking for the following proposed rule under one or more of the following chapters, subchapters, or sections of the Arkansas Code: §25-17-307.

### **Effective January 1, 2022:**

The Director of the Division of County Operations (DCO) amends the Medical Services Policy Manual, Sections A-210, B, G, & F. The implementation of ARHome as well as a new integrated system necessitates the changes. DCO also makes technical and grammatical corrections and removes business processes that do not meet the statutory definition of a rule. DCO changes income verification concerning information received from the Asset Verification System. Information received after the eligibility period or after the processing of the re-evaluation will no longer be handled at the next re-evaluation but will instead be considered known to the agency and require appropriate case action. The adult expansion group work and community engagement requirements are rescinded. Individuals eligible in the adult expansion group will be enrolled in a qualified health plan except the Medically Frail or, American Indian/Alaska Native population, or those for whom PASSE enrollment is mandatory. These groups are provided other health care options including Alternative Benefit Plan and PASSE enrollment. PASSE enrollment is mandatory for the adult expansion group that have been identified as in need of Tier 2 or Tier 3 behavioral health services.

The proposed rule is available for review at the Department of Human Services (DHS) Office of Rules Promulgation, 2nd floor Donaghey Plaza South Building, 7th and Main Streets, P. O. Box 1437, Slot S295, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1437. You may also access and download the proposed rule at <https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/do-business-with-dhs/proposed-rules/>. Public comments must be submitted in writing at the above address or at the following email address: [ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov](mailto:ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov). All public comments must be received by DHS no later than November 11, 2021. Please note that public comments submitted in response to this notice are considered public documents. A public comment, including the commenter's name and any personal information contained within the public comment, will be made publicly available and may be seen by various people.

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