

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment

Rehabilitation Clinic Reimbursement (SPA 15-019)

The State of Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) proposes to submit the following amendment to the Medicaid State Plan to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Changes to Medicaid State Plan

Effective on or after April 1, 2015, Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 15-019 will amend Attachment 4.19-B of the Medicaid State Plan to adjust the reimbursement rate for rehabilitation clinics to 95% of the 2008 Medicare fee schedule. If the fee was not listed on the 2008 Medicare schedule, then the fees were adjusted to 95% of the 2013 Medicare fee schedule. This adjustment restructures the reimbursement for rehabilitation clinics to follow a uniformed pricing methodology.

Fiscal Information

Based on the information that is available at this time, it is estimated that this SA will result in reduced annual aggregate expenditures of approximately \$131,000 in Federal Fiscal Year 2015 and \$800,000 in Federal Fiscal Year 2016.

Information on Obtaining SPA Language and Submission of Comments

In accordance with federal Medicaid requirements, upon request, DSS will provide copies of the proposed SPA. Copies of the proposed SPA may also be obtained at any DSS regional office and on the DSS website: <http://www.ct.gov/dss>. Go to “Publications” and then “Updates”.

Written, phone, and email requests should be sent to Ginny Mahoney, Department of Social Services, Medical Policy Unit, 55 Farmington Avenue, 9th Floor, Hartford, CT 06105 (Phone: 860-424-5145, Fax: 860-424-5799, Email: ginny.mahoney@ct.gov). Please reference “SPA 15-019: Rehabilitation Clinic Reimbursement”.) Members of the public may also submit written comments concerning the proposed change. Written comments must be received at the above contact information by March 24, 2015.

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
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(e) Mental Health and Substance Abuse Clinics:

The current fee schedule was set as of November 1, 2013 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. Effective July 1, 2008 the Department has established a separate fee schedule for mental health and substance abuse clinics other than Federally Qualified Health Centers that meet special access and quality standards and such fees are higher than the fees available to mental health and substance abuse clinics that do not meet such special standards. All rates are published at www.ctdssmap.com.

(f) Rehabilitation Clinics: Effective September 1, 2008, reimbursement for physical therapy and occupational therapy provided by rehabilitation clinics will change from a per visit fee to CPT modality-specific fee based reimbursement. The current fee schedule was set as of April 1, 2015 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published at www.ctdssmap.com.

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