REVISED PUBLIC NOTICE (SPA #22-0033) PHARMACY COVERED OUTPATIENT DRUGS (COD) PROFESSIONAL DISPENSING FEE (PDF) AND PHYSICIAN ADMINISTERED DRUG PROGRAM (PADP) LONG-ACTING REVERSIBLE CONTRACEPTION (LARC) REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGY

The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits hereby provides notice of its intent to amend the Medicaid State Plan Attachment 4.19-B, Section 12. This amendment revises the pharmacy reimbursement methodology for professional dispensing fees (PDF) to be set at a flat fee determined by Cost of Dispensing Study conducted on behalf of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits, removes the rule allowing only one PDF per drug, per member, per pharmacy, per month, and will allow PDF payment on emergency dispensations. This amendment also changes the reimbursement methodology for the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) to pay based on the Medicare fee schedule and changes the reimbursement methodology for Long-Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP). For LARCs acquired and dispensed under the 340B program, reimbursement will be the 340B ceiling price plus six percent (6%). These new reimbursements will be applicable to all active NC Medicaid Providers.

The amendments will become effective December 1, 2022.

The annual estimated state fiscal impacts of these changes are:

a. SFY 2023 (\$72,058)b. SFY 2024 (\$170,557)

A copy of the proposed public notice may be viewed at the County Department of Social Services. Questions, comments and requests for copies of the proposed State Plan amendment should be directed to the Division of Health Benefits at the address listed below.

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