PUBLIC NOTICE (SPA 21-0015) Outpatient Hospital Reimbursement

The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits hereby provides notice of its intent to discontinue the temporary COVID-19 5% legislative rate increase applied under Session Law 2020-4 (House Bill 1043) and amended by Session Law 2021-3 (House Bill 196) to outpatient hospital services. Effective 7/1/2021, hospital rates will revert to the rates paid prior to implementation of the temporary COVID-19 5% increase that expire on June 30, 2021 as updated via state plan amendment 21-0005.

This amendment will become effective July 1, 2021.

The annual estimated state fiscal impact of this change isa. SFY 2022\$0.b. SFY 2023\$0.

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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