

**PROPOSED CHANGES IN METHODS AND STANDARDS
FOR ESTABLISHING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENT RATES**

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES**

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) is proposing a change in the methods and standards by which the Department will reimburse providers. The proposed change is effective for dates of service on or after May 1, 2016 and is addressed below.

As an ongoing effort to provide quality services in the most effective manner, the Department is proposing to reduce the reimbursement rates for incontinence supplies by four percent, with the exception of T4541. The reimbursement rate for HCPCS code T4541 will be reduced by thirty-five percent. These proposed changes will result in an estimated savings of \$5.4 million based on current utilizations patterns.

Any interested party may submit comments, data, views, or arguments concerning these proposed changes in reimbursement methods and standards. All comments must be in writing and should be addressed to:

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This material may be viewed at the DHS local offices (except in Cook County). In Cook County, the changes may be reviewed at the Office of the Director, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, 401 South Clinton Street, Chicago, Illinois. The changes may be reviewed at all offices Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. This notice is being provided in accordance with federal requirements found at 42 *CFR* 447.205.