DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

1. <u>Statute requiring agency to publish information concerning proposed changes in methods</u> and standards for establishing medical assistance payment rates for hospital services in the Illinois Register: 5 ILCS 100/5-70(c) - The Secretary of State shall accept for publication in the Illinois Register notices initiated by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services in its capacity as the designate Title XIX single State agency pursuant to the requirements found at 42 CFR 447.205, and any other documents related to the activities of the programs administered by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services that the Department deems appropriate for publication.

2. <u>Summary of information</u>:

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) is considering changes by which hospitals and nursing facilities are reimbursed for providing medical services, for dates of service on **o**r after July 1, 2012.

For hospital inpatient and outpatient services, the HFS proposes to reduce reimbursement rates by twelve percent. These proposed reductions are estimated to reduce spending by \$497.0 million on an annual basis (\$300.7 million during State fiscal year 2013).

For nursing facilities services, the HFS proposed to reduce reimbursement rates by twelve percent. These proposed reductions are estimated to reduce spending by \$203.3 million on an annual basis (\$123.9 million in State fiscal year 2013).

3. <u>Name and address of person to contact concerning this information:</u>

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

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This notice is being provided in accordance with federal requirements provided at 42 *CFR* 447.205. Hearings related to these proposed changes will be considered during legislative hearings. The time and locations of such hearings will be announced through the website of the Illinois General Assembly at: <u>http://www.ilga.gov/</u>