## PROPOSED CHANGES IN METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT 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 for setting payment rates for reimbursement of Early Intervention services by Early Intervention enrolled and/or credentialed providers. The proposed change is effective for dates of service July 1, 2019 and after.

<u>Public Act 101-0007</u> provides for an increase in the Medicaid reimbursement rates. Effective July 1, 2019, the Early Intervention Developmental Therapy rates will be increased by 6% and all other Early Interventions services will be increased by 3%.

These proposed changes will increase expenditures by approximately \$5 million based on current utilization patterns for services provided by an early intervention provider.

Any interested party may submit questions or comments concerning these proposed changes in reimbursement methods and standards. All questions or comments must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days of the publication date of this notice and addressed to:

Bureau of Program and Policy Coordination Division of Medical Programs Healthcare and Family Services 201 South Grand Avenue East Springfield, IL 62763-0001 E-mail address: <u>HFS.bpra@illinois.gov</u>

The notice may be viewed at the DHS local offices (except in Cook County). In Cook County, the notice may be reviewed at the Office of the Director, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, 401 South Clinton Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Chicago, Illinois. Comments received regarding this notice shall be published on the HFS web site at <a href="http://www.illinois.gov/hfs/info/legal/PublicNotices/Pages/">http://www.illinois.gov/hfs/info/legal/PublicNotices/Pages/</a>.

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