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 of payment to hospitals and freestanding chronic dialysis centers. The proposed change is effective for dates of service July 1, 2015, and after.

<u>Public Act 100-0023</u> restores the add-on Medicaid payments to hospitals and freestanding chronic dialysis centers established under 89 Illinois Administrative Code 148.140(g)(4) for dates of service July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015 and in effect for dates of service on and after July 1, 2015 with no end date for such payments.

Hospitals and freestanding chronic dialysis centers will be reimbursed a \$60 per treatment day add-on for outpatient renal dialysis treatments or home dialysis treatments. The proposed change will result in an annual increase in Medicaid liability of \$15 million.

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:

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

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