

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 447.205, the Georgia Department of Community Health is required to give public notice of any significant proposed change in its methods and standards for setting payment rates for services.

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION PAYMENTS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS

Pending Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approval and effective for services provided on or after July 1, 2019, the Department proposes to make quarterly Graduate Medical Education (GME) payments to Community Service Boards (CSBs) with GME programs that are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). The total annual amount of each eligible CSB's GME payments will be calculated as follows:

- (1) Determine the count of residents training at the CSB by post-graduate year.
- (2) Multiply the count of residents in each post-graduate year by the amounts listed in the table below. The amounts listed in the table below are the salary and benefits costs of the residents.

Post-Graduate Year	Resident Salary and Benefits
PGY1	\$86,700
PGY2	\$91,800
PGY3	\$94,800
PGY4	\$98,550

The state funds portion of the GME payments will be funded through an intergovernmental transfer (IGT) of funds from the eligible CSB to the Department. This change is estimated to increase Medicaid expenditures for SFY 2020 as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>State Funds (IGT)</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
Aged, Blind, and Disabled	\$226,252	\$467,348	\$693,600

This public notice is available for review at each county Division of Family and Children Services office. An opportunity for public comment will be held on **April 17, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.**, at the Department of Community Health, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303 in the 5th Floor Board Room. Individuals who are disabled and need assistance to participate during this meeting should call (404) 656-4479. Individuals wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **April 24, 2019**, to the Board of Community Health, Post Office Box 1966, Atlanta, Georgia 30301-1966. You may also email comments to Danisha Williams, danwilliams@dch.ga.gov or fax to 404-651-6880.

Comments submitted will be available for review by submitting a request via email to Danisha Williams, danwilliams@dch.ga.gov. Comments from written and public testimony will be provided

to the Board of Community Health prior to the **May 9, 2019** Board meeting. The Board will vote on the proposed changes at the Board meeting to be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2019

Frank W. Berry, Commissioner