

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.

Medicaid Care Management Organizations (CMOs) Direct Payments to Physician Faculty Groups affiliated with Teaching Hospitals

Pending Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approval and effective July 1, 2020, the Department proposes to implement a new direct payment program for faculty groups in the Medicaid Care Management Organizations (CMOs) program affiliated with teaching hospitals. Under the program, participating physician groups through Medicaid CMOs will receive increased Medicaid funding via an annual lump sum direct payment.

Participation in the program is voluntary and potential funding may be derived by the Medicaid CMO Physician Faculty Group securing a commitment from a hospital authority or governmental entity to make an inter-governmental transfer (IGT) of funds to the Department to finance the state share of direct payment.

This change is estimated to increase expenditures for SFY 2021 as follows:

<u>Program</u>	<u>State Funds</u> <u>(IGT)</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
Low Income Medicaid Peachcare	\$25,003,338	\$51,459,469	\$76,462,807

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 **June 16, 2020 at 11:00 a.m., via WebEx audio**. There will be no **in-person** attendance at the Department of Community Health (DCH).

Event number: 127 624 1371

Event password: Public2020

To join the online event

1. Copy the following link to a browser:

<https://dchevents.webex.com/dchevents/onstage/g.php?MTID=e0c0b3d7250d8fe92256e6f051988b59b>

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Call-in toll number (US/Canada): 1-650-479-3207 Access code: 127 624 1371

Individuals wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **June 23, 2020**, 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 **July 9, 2020 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.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 11th DAY OF JUNE, 2020
Frank W. Berry, Commissioner