

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.

NEW CO-PAYMENTS FOR PEACHCARE FOR KIDS® MEMBERS

Effective for services provided on and after April 1, 2012, and subject to payment at fee-for-service rates, the Department will implement co-payments for covered services to PeachCare for Kids® members six (6) years of age and older. These copayments will be consistent with CMS-approved Medicaid co-payments and co-payment exemptions for adults.

This action is anticipated to result in state fund savings of \$318,462 in the Amended SFY 2012 budget and \$1,273,849 for SFY 2013.

ILLUSTRATIVE CO-PAYMENTS

Ambulatory Surgical Centers / Birthing	\$3.00
Durable Medical Equipment	\$1.00 or \$3.00 (service based)
Federally Qualified Health Centers	\$2.00
Free Standing Rural Health Clinic	\$2.00
Home Health Services	\$3.00
Hospital-based Rural Health Center	\$2.00
Inpatient Hospital Services	\$12.50
Oral Maxillofacial Surgery	Cost Based
Orthotics and Prosthetics	\$3.00
Outpatient Hospital Services	\$3.00
Pharmacy - Preferred Drugs	\$0.50
Pharmacy - Non-Preferred Drugs	Cost Based
Physician Program Services	Cost Based
Podiatry	Cost Based
Vision Care	Cost Based

COST BASED CO-PAYMENTS

Cost of Service	Proposed Co-Payment
\$10.00 or less	\$0.50
\$10.01 to \$25.00	\$1.00
\$25.01 to \$50.00	\$2.00
\$50.01 or more	\$3.00

This public notice is available for review at each county Department of Family and Children Services office. An opportunity for public comment will be held on December 28, 2011, at 1 p.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room at 2:00 pm. Individuals who are disabled and need assistance to participate during this meeting should call (404) 656-4479. Citizens wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before 5:00 p.m. on December 28, 2011, to the Board of Community Health, Post Office Box 1966, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Comments submitted will be available for review by the public at the Department of Community Health, Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in Room 4074, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Comments from written and public testimony will be provided to the Board of Community Health prior to the January 12, 2012, 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 8th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2011

David A. Cook, Commissioner