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.

Title V and Title XIX Agreement with the Department of Public Health

42 CFR 431.615 requires that the State Title XIX, Medical Assistance Plans State Plan include written cooperative agreements with the Title V grantees, the Department of Public Health (DPH).

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to ensure that Title V recipients eligible for Medicaid receive services with particular emphasis on EPSDT services. 34 CFR Part 303, Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities requires coordination, cooperation, and prevents unnecessary duplication with Title XIX in several areas including: (a) comprehensive child find system; (b) all available resources; (c) non-substitution of funds; and (d) non-reduction of benefits.

Medicaid and DPH will:

- Work collaboratively to improve the health of State residents.
- Ensure that Title V and Title XIX services are consistent with the needs of the participants and the programs' objectives and requirements.
- Coordinate program initiatives to avoid duplication of effort among agency programs.
- Encourage referrals between various programs.
- Develop and implement, in cooperation, health care standards, program policies, and pilot programs.
- Collaborate, as appropriate, on the development of provider manuals, billing instructions, and provider training relative to health care scope of benefits and services for eligible populations.
- Develop guidelines and administrative procedures for providers who deliver MCH services to Title XIX eligible beneficiaries by utilizing professional, medical, nursing, health education, social work and nutrition expertise.
- Participate in the oversight of preventive and primary service delivery to pregnant women, infants, children and adolescents enrolled in contracting Medicaid managed care plans and Medicaid feefor-service.
- Develop statewide advisory groups to oversee the implementation of care coordination.

This change is estimated to impact Medicaid claiming for SFY 2016 and SFY 2017 as follows: \$0

This agreement will be effective upon final DCH Board approval.

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 **May 17, 2016** at 11:00 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. Citizens wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **May 24, 2016**, to the Board of Community Health, Post Office Box 1966, Atlanta, Georgia 30301-1966.

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 **June 9, 2016,** 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 12th DAY OF MAY, 2016 Clyde L. Reese III, Esq., Commissioner