

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 ACCESS MONITORING REVIEW PLAN (AMRP) IMPLEMENTATION

42 U.S.C. §1396a(a)(30)(A) requires the State to ensure that provider payments allow FFS beneficiaries to access care in a manner equal to that of the general population in their geographic region.

This purpose of the Plan is to outline Georgia Medicaid's proposed plan for measuring and monitoring fee-for-service (FFS) beneficiaries' overall distance as measured with actual driving routes, not radially, between their residence and the following provider locations. Georgia Medicaid is committed to ensuring its FFS beneficiary group has proper access to adequate provider networks.

Medicaid will monitor eight different provider groups as part of this review plan:

- Primary Care Providers (PCPs)
- Specialists
- General and Subspecialty Dental Providers
- Home Health Services
- Hospitals
- Mental and Behavioral Health Providers
- Pharmacies
- OB/GYNs

The plan is located at <https://dch.georgia.gov/public-notice>.

Please call 404-657-1502 to request a mailed copy.

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 **August 30, 2016** at 11:30 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. Citizens wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **September 26, 2016**, 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.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 25th DAY OF AUGUST, 2016

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