

## NOTICES OF CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES

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### Department of Social Services

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#### Notice of Proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) SPA 20-0001: Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement

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The State of Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) proposes to submit the following Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

#### **Changes to Medicaid State Plan**

Based on the anticipated adoption of state legislation in an upcoming special session, SPA 20-0001 will amend Attachment 4.19-A of the Medicaid State Plan effective for discharges on or after January 1, 2020 to change inpatient hospital reimbursement as follows: (1) one or more inpatient hospital rates will be increased by a specified percentage for one or more years and (2) the methodology for using wage index values in setting inpatient hospital payments will be modified.

Although the implementing legislation has not yet been adopted by the General Assembly, federal regulations require DSS to submit public notice at this time. Accordingly, this SPA is subject to change, in whole or in part, as necessary to comply with the final enacted legislation from the special session.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

DSS estimates that this SPA will increase annual aggregate expenditures for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2020 and SFY 2021 with the value of the increases in expenditures dependent on the extent of the rate increases and wage index methodology changes to be provided.

#### **Obtaining SPA Language and Submitting Comments**

This SPA is posted on the DSS web site at this link: <http://portal.ct.gov/dss>. Scroll down to the bottom of the webpage and click on “Publications” and then click on “Updates.” Then click on “Medicaid State Plan Amendments”. The proposed SPA may also be obtained at any DSS field office or the Town of Vernon Social Services Department, or upon request from DSS (see below).

To request a copy of the SPA from DSS or to send comments about the SPA, please email: [Public.Comment.DSS@ct.gov](mailto:Public.Comment.DSS@ct.gov) or write to: Medical Policy Unit, Department of Social Services, 55 Farmington Avenue, 9th Floor, Hartford, CT 06105 (Phone: 860-424-5067). Please reference “SPA 20-0001: Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement”.

Anyone may send DSS written comments about the SPA. Written comments must be received by DSS at the above contact information no later than December 27, 2019.

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**Department of Social Services**

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**Notice of Proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA)  
SPA 20-0002: Outpatient Hospital Reimbursement**

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The State of Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) proposes to submit the following Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**Changes to Medicaid State Plan**

Based on the anticipated adoption of state legislation in an upcoming special session, SPA 20-0002 will amend Attachment 4.19-B of the Medicaid State Plan effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2020 to change outpatient hospital reimbursement as follows: (1) one or more outpatient hospital rates will be increased by a specified percentage for one or more years and (2) the methodology for using wage index values in setting outpatient hospital payments will be modified.

Although the implementing legislation has not yet been adopted by the General Assembly, federal regulations require DSS to submit public notice at this time. Accordingly, this SPA is subject to change, in whole or in part, as necessary to comply with the final enacted legislation from the special session.

**Fiscal Impact**

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Anyone may send DSS written comments about the SPA. Written comments must be received by DSS at the above contact information no later than December 27, 2019.

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