

NOTICES OF CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) SPA 20-X: HIPAA Compliance Billing Code Quarterly Update

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

Effective on or after July 1, 2020, SPA 19-X will amend Attachment 4.19-B of the Medicaid State Plan to incorporate various Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) updates (additions, deletions and description changes) from the most recent federal HCPCS quarterly update issued by CMS. These changes will be implemented as necessary to each of the applicable fee schedules, which will be determined as soon as possible after DSS has been able to analyze the relevant changes within this quarterly HCPCS update. Codes that are being added are being priced using a comparable methodology to other codes in the same or similar category. DSS is making these changes to ensure that these fee schedules remain compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Fee schedules are published at this link: <http://www.ctdssmap.com>, then select “Provider”, then select “Provider Fee Schedule Download.”

Fiscal Impact

Overall based on the information that is available at this time, DSS does not anticipate that this SPA will significantly change annual aggregate expenditures in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021 and SFY 2022.

Obtaining SPA Language and Submitting Comments

The proposed SPA is posted on the DSS website 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, at 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 or write to: Department of Social Services, Medical Policy Unit, 55 Farmington Avenue, 9th Floor, Hartford, CT 06105 (Phone: 860-424-5067). Please reference “SPA 20-X: HIPAA Compliance Billing Code Quarterly Update”.

Anyone may send DSS written comments about this SPA. Written comments must be received by DSS at the above contact information no later than July 15, 2020.
