



NC DEPARTMENT OF
**HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Health Benefits

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August 27, 2020

Dear County, DSS Director:

Attached is a public notice representing a proposed change for the intent to amend the Medicaid State Plan to revise the pharmacy reimbursement methodology for ingredient drug cost under \$1,000 to be reimbursed at the OMB encounter rate. The OMB encounter rate for covered outpatient prescription drugs is exclusively applicable to the Indian Health / Tribal pharmacies operated by the United States Indian Health Services (IHS).

This amendment will become effective September 1, 2020.

Please post this notice in your facility so that interested parties may be made aware of this proposed change and may comment as necessary. The posting can be removed after ninety days from the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

Arthur Becton

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SPA Coordinator

Attachment: Public Notice SPA 20-0015 (Pharmacy Point of Service)

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PUBLIC NOTICE
(SPA 20-0015)
Pharmacy Point of Service

The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits hereby provides notice of its intent to amend the Medicaid State Plan Attachment. This amendment revises the pharmacy reimbursement methodology for ingredient drug cost under \$1,000 to be reimbursed at the OMB encounter rate. The OMB encounter rate for covered outpatient prescription drugs is exclusively applicable to the Indian Health / Tribal pharmacies operated by the United States Indian Health Services (IHS).

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The annual estimated State fiscal impact of this change is

- a. SFY 2020 \$0
- b. SFY 2021 \$0
- c. SFY 2022 \$0

A copy of the proposed public notice may be viewed at the County Department of Social Services. Questions, comments and requests for copies of the proposed State Plan Amendment should be directed to the Division of Health Benefits at the address listed below.

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Division of Health Benefits
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