

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

DATE: November 17, 2017
TIME: 11:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Lobby Hearing Room, Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215

Pursuant to section 5164.02 and Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, the Director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (Department) gives notice of the Department's intent to consider the adoption, amendment, or rescission of the rule or rules identified below and of a public hearing thereon

Rule 5160-2-69, entitled “**Adjustments to payments for hospital services**”, is being proposed for adoption. The proposed rule provides that payments for hospital services will be reduced. The rate reductions are intended to help balance state resources among competing demands while continuing to assure access to quality hospital care to Medicaid individuals in Ohio. The reductions will apply to hospital services that are both included and excluded from prospective payment. They shall be applied as follows:

- for hospital-specific rates and flat payment rates expressed as dollars, the reduction shall be five percent;
- for inpatient payment rates expressed as a percentage, the reduction shall be five percentage points; and
- for outpatient payment rates expressed as a percentage, the reduction shall be five percent.

The reductions shall be applied specifically to the following:

- the prospective cost-to-charge ratios for non- diagnosis related group (non DRG) reimbursed services;
- the hospital base rates for inpatient services;
- the outlier payment percentage for inpatient services;
- the capital cost percentage for inpatient services;
- the medical education allowance payments for inpatient services;
- the hospital specific base rates for outpatient services;
- the flat payment amounts for outpatient observation and dental services; and
- the percent multiplier for independently billed drugs, medical supplies and devices.

Services that will be performed in ambulatory surgical centers (ASC)'s shall not be affected by this adjustment. These adjustments to payments shall be effective for inpatient services with a date of discharge on or after the effective date of this rule and outpatient services provided on or after the effective date of this rule.

A copy of the proposed rule is available, without charge, at the address listed below. The rule is also available on the internet at <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. A public hearing on the proposed rule will be held at the date, time, and location listed at the top of this notice. Both

written and oral testimony will be taken at the public hearing.

Additionally, written comments submitted or postmarked no later than the date of the public hearing will be treated as testimony. Requests for a copy of the proposed rule and testimony on the rule should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Medicaid Rule Administrator, Office of Legal Counsel, 50 West Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 995-1301, or by e-mail at rules@medicaid.ohio.gov. Testimony received may be reviewed at the 50 West Town Street address.