PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

DATE: December 21, 2020

TIME: 11:00 A.M.

Teleconference Phone Number: 1-614-721-2972

Teleconference Pin: 609682108#

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

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5160-12-01 outlines guidelines for coverage of home health services, including benefit limitations. Changes in the rule align Medicaid policy with changes in federal guidelines enacted in the Cares Act and provide opportunities to use telehealth when it is clinically appropriate.

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5160-12-02 outlines guidelines for coverage of private duty nursing services, including benefit limitations. Changes in the rule align private duty nursing changes with changes in federal guidelines enacted in the Cares Act and with proposed changes in home health policy.

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5160-12-04 defines a visit and a group visit for purposes of Medicaid reimbursement of home health and private duty nursing services. The amendments allow home health services to be provided using telehealth when clinically appropriate.

Ohio Administrative Code 5160-12-05 provides for reimbursement of home health services. The amendment instructs providers to use a modifier if the service is provided using telehealth.

Ohio Administrative Code 5160-12-08 defines coverage and reimbursement for the RN consultation and RN assessment services. The amendments allow the RN assessment service to be providing using telehealth when clinically appropriate.

Pursuant to Section twelve of Am. Sub. H. B. No. 197 ODM will hold the public hearing for this rule package via teleconference. The phone number and pin and the date and time for this hearing are listed at the top of this Notice. All interested parties are invited to participate in the public hearing. Oral and written testimony will be accepted for this hearing and will be given the same consideration. Those who want to give oral testimony are asked to send an email to Rules@Medicaid.Ohio.gov no later than one hour before the hearing to be added to the witness list. There will be a final call at the end of the hearing for those who wish to offer oral testimony but are not yet on the witness list.

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Written comments submitted via fax, United States Postal Service, and email that are received or postmarked no later than the day of the hearing will be accepted as testimony and become part of the hearing record. All testimony will become public record; therefore, the Ohio Department of Medicaid asks that protected health information only be included if the information belongs to the person submitting the testimony or a person for which the submitter is a legal guardian. Written testimony sent via email is highly recommended, all testimony received via email will receive a confirmation of receipt.

A copy of the proposed rules are available, without charge, to any person at the address listed below. The rules are also available on the internet at http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/. Requests for a copy of the proposed rules or comments on the rules should be submitted by mail to the Ohio Department of Medicaid, Office of Legal Counsel, 50 W. Town Street, Suite 400, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3414, by fax at (614) 995-1301, or by e-mail at Rules@Medicaid.Ohio.gov.