

**AGENDA**

**Tuesday, August 18, 2020  
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

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Meeting ID #: 93006062460 Passcode: 508911**

**10:00 a.m.** Call to Order

**10:05 a.m.** Rules – **Nancy Freudenberg**

The following amendments to the administrative rules are presented for adoption at the August 12, 2020, Council on Human Services meeting.

**R-1. Amendments to Chapter 75, “Conditions of Eligibility,” Iowa Administrative Code (MEPD rules)** The proposed rule is amended to adjust the federal poverty levels increments used to assess premiums for applicants and recipients with income over 150% of the federal poverty level under the Medicaid for Employed People with Disabilities (MEPD) program.

**R-2. Amendments to Chapter 77, “Conditions of Participation for Providers of Medical and Remedial Care,” Chapter 78, “Amount, Duration and Scope of Medical and Remedial Services,” and Chapter 79, “Other Policies Relating to Providers of Medical and Remedial Care”, Iowa Administrative Code.**

**(Pharmacy Scope of Practice Rules).** The Iowa Board of Pharmacy, in collaboration with the Iowa Department of Public Health, developed statewide protocols for pharmacists ordering and dispensing of naloxone and nicotine replacement therapy (NRT) tobacco cessation products, as well as pharmacists ordering and administering vaccines. In order to allow these expanded pharmacist practice protocols under Medicaid the following changes are proposed:

- Adds “Pharmacist” as a provider type eligible to enroll in the Medicaid program.
- Clarifies qualified prescriber and prescription requirements based on the pharmacist expanded practice standards.

- Amends the section related to pharmacies administering influenza vaccine to children to include all Medicaid covered vaccines for children and adds the administration of adult vaccines, pursuant to 657 IAC 39 and the statewide protocols. Also adds Medicaid verification and reporting requirements. The changes enable pharmacists to take advantage of the expanded practice standards while clarifying the Medicaid verification and reporting requirements for vaccines.
- Amends the section related to basis of reimbursement for vaccines related to pharmacies. All billing and reimbursement of vaccines, regardless of provider type, will be through the healthcare common procedure coding system (HCPCS) to ensure consistency among providers as well as a coordinated Medicaid immunization record for the member.

The following amendments to the administrative rules are presented as Noticed rules.

**N-1. Amendments to Chapters 80, “Procedure and Method of Payment,” Chapter 133, “IV-A Emergency Assistance Program,” Chapter 172, “Family-Centered Child Welfare Services,” Chapter 175, “Abuse Of Children,” and Chapter 186, “Community Care,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Contracting Rules)** The Family First Act reforms the federal child welfare financing streams. Title IV-E and Tile IV-B of the Social Security Act provide services to families who are at risk of entering the child welfare system. A core expectation under the Family First Act is states must employ evidence-based interventions demonstrated to effectively strengthen and preserve connections between children and their family. The primary focus of these services is to prevent removal of a child and placement into foster care. These changes will positively affect the child welfare contractors who successfully bid on contracts as the evidence-based interventions provide clear expectations to fidelity of models used in service provisions.

**N-2 Amendments to Chapter 202, “Foster Care Placement and Services, “Iowa Administrative Code. (Foster Care Placement Services).** The Family First Act and 2019 House File 644 requires protocols to ensure children being placed in out of home settings are not inappropriately misdiagnosed with mental illness, other emotional or behavioral disorders, medically fragile conditions or developmentally delayed conditions. The proposed rule requires information in case permanency plans for children entering or already in foster care to include efforts to retain existing medical and mental health care providers as well as activities to evaluate service needs.

**10:25 a.m.** Approval of July 8, 2020 Minutes

**10:30 a.m.** Public Hearing Presentations:

**Public Hearing on the Department of Human Services  
Update to the SFY 2022 budget recommendations  
and legislative package.**

**11:00 a.m.** Director’s Report – **Kelly Garcia**

**11:15 a.m.** Council Update

**11:30 a.m.** Adjourn

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