

**PROPOSED CHANGES IN METHODS AND STANDARDS  
FOR ESTABLISHING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENT RATES**

**STATE OF ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES**

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) is proposing a change in the methods and standards of payment to providers. The proposed change is effective for dates of service August 1, 2019, and after.

[Public Act 101-0010](#) requires the Department of Human Services to increase its rates by 3.5% for facilities licensed by the Department of Public Health under the ID/DD Community Care Act, as well as, facilities licensed under the MC/DD Act and developmental training rates for intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities (ICF/ID). This change is to be effective August 1, 2019 for these facilities.

These proposed changes will increase expenditures by approximately \$13.4 million based on current utilization patterns to the long-term care services benefit category.

The proposed change is subject to approval by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and may be modified or revised during the approval process.

Any interested party may submit questions or comments concerning these proposed changes in reimbursement methods and standards. All questions or comments must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days of the publication date of this notice and addressed to:

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This notice may be viewed at the DHS local offices (except in Cook County). In Cook County, the notice and clarification may be reviewed at the Office of the Director, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, 401 South Clinton Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Chicago, Illinois. Comments received regarding this notice shall be published on the HFS web site at <http://www.illinois.gov/hfs/info/legal/PublicNotices/Pages/>.

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