



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

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September 22, 2022

Dear County DSS Director:

Attached is a public notice representing a proposed change to amend the Medicaid State Plan. The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits hereby provides notice of its intent to amend the Medicaid State Plan Attachment 4.19-B, Section 12. This amendment revises the pharmacy reimbursement methodology for professional dispensing fees (PDF) to be set at a flat fee determined by the Cost of Dispensing Study conducted on behalf of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefit every five (5) years and removes the rule allowing for only one PDF per drug, per member, per pharmacy, per month. This amendment also changes the reimbursement for long acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs) in the Physician Administered Drug Program (PADP) acquired and dispensed under the 340B program, to be reimbursed at the lesser of 340B ceiling price plus six percent (6%) or billed amount. These new reimbursements will be applicable to all active NC Medicaid providers.

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,

Cecilia Williams

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State Plan and Amendments Coordinator

Attachment: Public Notice SPA 22-0033 (**Professional Dispensing Fee**)

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PUBLIC NOTICE
(SPA 22-0033)
PHARMACY COVERED OUTPATIENT DRUGS (COD)
PROFESSIONAL DISPENSING FEE (PDF)
AND
PHYSICIAN ADMINISTERED DRUG PROGRAM (PADP) LONG-
ACTING REMOVABLE CONTRACEPTIVE (LARC)

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The amendments will become effective December 1, 2022. The annual estimated state fiscal impacts of these changes are:

- a. SFY 2023 (\$323,996)
- b. SFY 2024 (\$600,769)

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 Benefit at the address listed below:

Dave Richard
Deputy Secretary
Division of Medical Assistance 2501
Mail Service Center

Posted on the Division of Health Benefits Website: September 21, 2022
<https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/get-involved/nc-health-choice-state-plan>