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**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING**

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Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: \_\_\_\_\_

No Deficit is projected at this time

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Miss. Code Ann. §43-13-121(1972), as amended §43-13-117

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: State Plan Attachment 4.19-B, Exhibit "A", Page 9c

**ORAL PROCEEDING:**

An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

X Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.


**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:**

X Economic impact statement not required for this rule.  Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	<b>Action proposed:</b> _____ New rule(s) _____ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference <b>Proposed final effective date:</b> _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____	<b>Date Proposed Rule Filed:</b> _____ <b>Action taken:</b> _____ Adopted with no changes in text _____ Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference X _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed <b>Effective date:</b> _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Robert Robinson

Signature of person authorized to file rules: \_\_\_\_\_

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The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

**State of Mississippi**

**METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES - OTHER TYPES OF CARE**

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A home health agency which undergoes a change of ownership must notify the DOM in writing of the effective date of the sale. The seller's provider number will be closed and a new provider number assigned to the new owner after the new owner submits the provider enrollment information required under DOM policy. The new owner is not allowed to use the provider number of the old owner to file claims for reimbursement.

The new owner will be reimbursed at the previous owner's rate until the rate is adjusted based on the new owner's initial cost report. This adjusted rate will be effective retroactive to the date of the change of ownership. A prospective rate will also be determined based on this cost report.

The new owner, upon consummation of the transaction effecting the change of ownership, shall as a condition of participation, assume liability, jointly and severally, with the prior owner for any and all amounts that may be due or become due to the Medicaid program, and such amounts may be withheld from the payment of claims submitted when determined. However, the new owner shall not be construed as relieving the prior owner of his liability to the Division.

2. New Home Health Agencies

When new providers are established that are not changes of ownership, the provider shall be reimbursed at the maximum rate for each type of home health visit pending the receipt of the initial cost report. After receipt of the initial cost report, a rate will be determined that is retroactive to the date of the establishment of the provider.

The Division of Medicaid, as required by state law, shall reduce the rate of reimbursement to providers for any service by five percent (5%) of the allowed amount for that service.

From April 1, 2010, through June 30, 2010, and/or in the event expenditure reductions or cost containment measures are implemented, the Division of Medicaid may reduce the rate of reimbursement to providers for any service up to an additional fifteen percent (15%) of the allowed amount for that service including Medicare crossover claims.

**VI. Provider Participation**

Payments made in accordance with the standards and methods described in this attachment are designed to enlist participation of a sufficient number of home health agencies in the program, so that eligible persons can receive the medical care and services included in the State Plan at least to the extent these services are available to the general public. Providers must be certified to participate as a home health agency under Title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act, and meet all applicable state laws and requirements.

**VII. Payment in Full**

Participation in the program shall be limited to home health agencies who accept, as payment in full, the amount paid in accordance with the State Plan.