Public Notice Regarding Home Health Program Services

June 16, 2020

The Missouri Department of Social Services provides notice of the following:

1. To ensure efficiency, economy, quality of care, and access, effective for dates of service beginning April 1, 2020, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will request a State Plan Amendment (SPA) for Home Health to:
   a. advanced practice registered nurses and physician assistants to order home health services; and
   b. allow ordering nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists and physician assistants to conduct face-to-face visits, in accordance with changes made to 42 CFR 440.70(f) through the CARES Act.

   Total annual fiscal impact is estimated to be $0.

2. Comments may be sent by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person or by courier within thirty calendar days after publication of this notice and must be sent or delivered to the following address:

   MO HealthNet Division
   615 Howerton Ct., 2nd Floor
   Jefferson City, MO 65109
   Attention: Glenda Kremer

   Comments may also be emailed to Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov. Please use “Public Comment for Private Duty Nursing” in the subject line. Comments must be received by July 17, 2020.

3. A copy of the prospective Home Health State Plan Amendment is available for public review by going to any Family Support Division Office or by contacting the Department of Social Services, MHD at Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov. These documents may also be viewed online at https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/alerts~public-notices.htm.

4. A public hearing will not be held.