

Public Notice Regarding Chiropractic Services

December 9, 2019

Pursuant to Sections 1902(a)13(A) of the Social Security Act and 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 447.205, which mandate that proposed changes in statewide methods and standards for setting Medicaid payment rates be published and made available for review and comment, this is to advise that:

1. The Missouri Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division (DSS/MHD) provides notice of the following:

Effective for dates of service beginning January 1, 2020, DSS/MHD will amend its State Plan to allow for the provision of chiropractic services. These services will be limited to twenty visits limited to examinations, diagnoses, adjustments, and manipulations and treatments of malpositioned articulations and structures of the body provided by licensed chiropractic physicians as covered MO HealthNet Services.

2. The annual estimated cost of the first year of the chiropractic program will result in a fiscal impact of \$2,875,943 to MO HealthNet. In following years, adding chiropractic services may prevent surgeries and pain medication use and the costs associated with them, resulting in a savings.
3. A copy of the proposed State Plan Amendment with supporting documentation is available for public review by contacting the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division at Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov.
4. Comments may be sent by regular mail, express, or overnight mail, in person or by courier within 30 days after publication of this notice and must be sent or delivered to the following address:
MO HealthNet Division
P.O. Box 6500
Jefferson City, MO 65102-6500
Attention: Kim Johnson

Comments may also be emailed to Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov. Please use "Public Comment for Chiropractic Services" in the subject line.

5. No public hearing will be held.