

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

**Department of Health and Hospitals
Bureau of Health Services Financing**

**Targeted Case Management
Reimbursement Methodology
(LAC 50:XV.10701)**

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends LAC 50:XV.10701 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This Emergency Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953(B)(1) et seq., and shall be in effect for the maximum period allowed under the Act or until adoption of the final Rule, whichever occurs first.

As a result of a budgetary shortfall in state fiscal year 2013, the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amended the provisions governing the reimbursement methodology for targeted case management (TCM) services to reduce the reimbursement rates and to revise these provisions as a result of the promulgation of the January 2013 Emergency Rules which terminated Medicaid reimbursement of TCM services provided to first-time mothers in the Nurse Family Partnership Program and TCM services rendered to HIV disabled individuals (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 39, Number 12).

The department promulgated an Emergency Rule which amended the provisions governing the reimbursement methodology for TCM

services provided to New Opportunities Waiver (NOW) recipients in order to adopt a payment methodology based on a flat monthly rate rather than 15-minute increments (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 40, Number 6). The department has now determined that it is necessary to amend the provisions of the July 1, 2014 Emergency Rule in order to ensure that these provisions are incorporated into the *Louisiana Administrative Code* in a clear and concise manner. This action is being taken to promote the health and welfare of NOW participants by ensuring continued access to Medicaid covered services.

Effective June 20, 2015, the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends the provisions of the July 1, 2014 Emergency Rule governing the reimbursement methodology for TCM services for NOW participants.

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**PUBLIC HEALTH—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
Part XV. Services for Special Populations
Subpart 7. Targeted Case Management**

Chapter 107. Reimbursement

§10701. Reimbursement

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K. Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2014, case management services provided to participants in the New Opportunities Waiver shall be reimbursed at a flat rate for each approved unit of service.

1. The standard unit of service is equivalent to one month and covers both service provision and administrative (overhead) costs.

a. Service provision includes the core elements in:

- i. §10301 of this Chapter;
- ii. the case management manual; and
- iii. contracted performance agreements.

2. All services must be prior authorized.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 30:1040 (May 2004), amended LR 31:2032 (August 2005), LR 35:73 (January 2009), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 35:1903 (September 2009), LR 36:1783 (August 2010), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing and the Office of Public Health, LR 39:97 (January 2013), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 39:3302 (December 2013), LR 40:1700,1701 (September 2014), LR 41:

Interested persons may submit written comments to J. Ruth Kennedy, Bureau of Health Services Financing, P.O. Box 91030, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030 or by email to MedicaidPolicy@la.gov.

Ms. Kennedy is responsible for responding to inquiries regarding this Emergency Rule. A copy of this Emergency Rule is available for review by interested parties at parish Medicaid offices.

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