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PUBLIC NOTICE - - - PUBLIC PROCESS NOTICE Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Intellectual DisabilitiesPublic Facilities Transitional Rate Extension The Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing proposes to amend LAC 50:VII.32969 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. The Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amended the provisions governing the reimbursement methodology for public intermediate care facilities for persons with developmental disabilities (ICFs/DD), hereafter referred to as intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities (ICFs/ID), to establish a transitional Medicaid reimbursement rate for community homes that are being privatized (Louisiana Register, Volume 40, Number 12). The department now proposes to amend the provisions governing reimbursement for public facilities in order to extend the period of transitional rates for large facilities that provide continuous nursing coverage to medically fragile populations for an additional year. This action is being taken to protect the public health and welfare of Medicaid recipients transitioning from public ICFs/ID by ensuring continued provider participation in the Medicaid Program. Effective October 1, 2017, the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing proposes to promulgate an Emergency Rule to amend the provisions governing the reimbursement methodology for public intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities. Implementation of the provisions of this Rule may be contingent upon the approval of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), if it is determined that submission to CMS for review and approval is required. Interested persons may submit written comments to Jen Steele, Bureau of Health Services Financing, P.O. Box 91030, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030 or by email to MedicaidPolicy@la.gov Ms. Steele is responsible for responding to all inquiries regarding this public process notice. The deadline for receipt of all written comments is October 31, 2017 by 4:30 p.m. A copy of this public notice is available for review by interested parties at parish Medicaid offices. Rebekah E. Gee MD, MPH Secretary 211708-sep 29-1t

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