



PUBLIC NOTICE

Utah 1115 Waiver Amendments

The Utah Department of Health, Division of Medicaid and Health Financing (DMHF), will hold public hearings to discuss amendments to the State’s 1115 Demonstration Waiver. The Department will also accept public comment regarding these demonstration amendments during the 30-day public comment period from May 18, 2020 through June 17, 2020.

The DMHF is requesting authority to implement provisions of House Bill 38 “Substance Use and Health Care Amendments”, and House Bill 436 “Health and Human Services Amendments”, which passed during the 2020 Utah Legislative Session. The amendment requests includes the following provisions:

Medicaid Coverage for Justice-Involved Populations (HB 38)

- This amendment will allow the State to provide Medicaid coverage to “qualified inmates” for up to 30-days before release from a correctional facility.
- A “qualified inmate” is an individual who is incarcerated in a correctional facility and has a chronic physical or behavioral health condition; a mental illness as defined in Utah State Code Section 62A-15-602; or an opioid use disorder.

Utah’s Premium Partnership for Health Insurance (UPP) Premium Reimbursement Increase (HB 436)

- This amendment request will allow the State to increase the maximum UPP reimbursement amount for adults (age 19 through 64), from \$150 per enrollee per month, to a higher amount through the state administrative rulemaking process, rather than by waiver amendment.
- If approved, initially the maximum UPP reimbursement amount for adults will be \$300 per enrollee per month.

Public Hearings:

The Department will conduct two public hearings to discuss the demonstration amendments. The dates and times are listed below. Due to the COVID-19 emergency and state social distancing guidelines, both public hearings will be held via video and teleconferencing.

- Thursday, May 21, 2020 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., during the Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) meeting
 - Video Conference: Google Hangout Meeting (only works in the Chrome web browser) meet.google.com/kyj-yrbk-cvv
 - Or join by phone: 1-413-233-4024 (PIN: 746 045 310#)
- Tuesday, May 26, 2020 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
 - Video Conference: Google Hangout Meeting (only works in the Chrome web browser) meet.google.com/ctt-dxpy-nqc

- Or join by phone: 1-318-612-0038 (PIN: 268 779 416#)

Individuals requiring an accommodation to fully participate in either meeting may contact Jennifer Meyer-Smart at jmeyersmart@utah.gov or 385-215-4735 by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2020.

Public Comment:

A copy of the public notice and proposed amendments are available online at:
<https://medicaid.utah.gov/1115-waiver>

The public may comment on the proposed amendment requests during the 30-day public comment period from May 18, 2020 through June 17, 2020.

Comments may be submitted:

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