

Notice of MaineCare Reimbursement Methodology Change

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of MaineCare Services

SERVICES INCLUDED: Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III, Section 109, Speech & Hearing Services

NATURE OF PROPOSED CHANGES: The Department plans to increase reimbursement as follows:

- Agency rates at 69% of Medicare for codes 92507 (GN), 92521 (GN), 92522 (GN), 92523 (GN), 92607 (GN), 92608 (GN), 92609 (GN), and 92610
- Adding Independent rates at 90% of Agency for codes 92507 (GN), 92507 (TF, GN), 92508 (HQ, GN), 92508 (TF, HQ, GN), 92521 (GN), 92522 (GN), 92523 (GN), 92524 (GN), 92526 (GN), 92607 (GN), 92608 (GN), 92609 (GN), and 92610
- Adding Agency and Independent codes 92537, 92538, 92540, 92541, 92542, 92544, 92545, 92546, 92547, 92548, 92570, 92611, 92612, and V5011

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGES: All changes are pursuant to Maine Public Law 2017, ch. 60, Resolve, Regarding Reimbursement for Speech and Language Pathology.

ESTIMATE OF ANY EXPECTED INCREASE OR DECREASE IN ANNUAL AGGREGATE EXPENDITURES: The Department anticipates that this rulemaking will cost approximately \$159,156 in SFY 2019, which includes \$102,687 in federal dollars, and \$636,622 in SFY 2020, which includes \$409,157 in federal dollars.

ACCESS TO PROPOSED CHANGES AND COMMENTS TO PROPOSED CHANGES: The public may review the proposed methodology changes and written comments at any Maine DHHS office in every Maine county. To find out where the Maine DHHS offices are located, call 1-800-452-1926. The Department will hold a hearing for the proposed rulemaking and will be publishing a notice which includes information on the hearing date and location.

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See <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms/rules/index.shtml> for rules and related rulemaking documents.