BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the amendment of) NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF
ARM 37.85.104 and 37.85.105) COMMENT PERIOD ON
pertaining to updating Medicaid and) PROPOSED AMENDMENT
non-Medicaid provider rates, fee)
schedules, and effective dates)

TO: All Concerned Persons

- 1. On November 18, 2022, the Department of Public Health and Human Services published MAR Notice No. 37-1018 pertaining to the public hearing on the proposed amendment of the above-stated rules at page 2202 of the 2022 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 22.
- 2. A public hearing was held December 8, 2022. The comment period is being extended to 5:00 p.m. on February 3, 2023, to allow interested persons additional time to comment on the proposed amendment of the above-referenced rules. The department has published proposed fee schedules that incorporate procedure codes that were recently published by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and that the department is required to follow. The proposed fee schedules are posted at: https://medicaidprovider.mt.gov/proposedfs.

Additionally, the department notes that fee schedules for intensive outpatient (IOP) therapy services for children were published with the original proposal notice. The IOP rates are proposed as a permanent reimbursement rate, after being enacted on a temporary basis during the coronavirus public health emergency.

- 3. The Department of Public Health and Human Services will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this rulemaking process or need an alternative accessible format of this notice. If you require an accommodation, contact the Department of Public Health and Human Services no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 1, 2023, to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Kassie Thompson, Department of Public Health and Human Services, Office of Legal Affairs, P.O. Box 4210, Helena, Montana, 59604-4210; telephone (406) 444-4094; fax (406) 444-9744; or e-mail hhsadminrules@mt.gov.
- 4. Concerned persons may submit their data, views, or arguments either orally or in writing at the hearing. Written data, views, or arguments may also be submitted to: Kassie Thompson, Department of Public Health and Human Services, Office of Legal Affairs, P.O. Box 4210, Helena, Montana, 59604-4210; fax (406) 444-9744; or e-mail hhsadminrules@mt.gov, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., February 3, 2023.

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Certified to the Secretary of State January 17, 2023.