## STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES MED-QUEST DIVISION

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. 447.205, the Department of Human Services ("DHS") is proposing to change the methods and standards that it uses to set the payment rates for private hospital uncompensated care costs delivered to the uninsured population and eligible individuals under the Medicaid Program. The proposed changes will be submitted for review to the federal government as part of the Medicaid State Plan Amendment to be effective following this notice.

The change is for the period of October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013 for disproportionate share payments to qualified non-public disproportionate share hospital (DSH) providers who either have at least two obstetricians with staff privileges at the facility who have agreed to provide obstetric services to individuals who are eligible for assistance under the Medicaid program or did not offer non-emergency obstetric services as of December 21, 1987, have a Medicaid utilization rate equal to or greater than one percent, and met the qualifications of 42 USC 1396r-4(b)(1).

Previously published for non-public DSH providers, the total federal share of DSH payments was not to exceed \$10,000,000 in federal fiscal year 2013. A new amendment will be submitted to increase the federal share of DSH payments by \$250,000 for a new total of \$10,250,000.

A copy of the proposed changes are available for public viewing from the first working day that the public notice appears in the <u>Honolulu Star-Advertiser</u>, <u>Hawaii</u> <u>Tribune Herald</u>, <u>West Hawaii Today</u>, <u>The Maui News</u>, and <u>The Garden Island</u>, from Monday – Friday, exclusive of State holidays, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the appropriate Med-QUEST Division offices on their respective islands listed below. On Oahu, the proposed changes will be available at 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 518, Kapolei, Hawaii 96707, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., from Monday – Friday, exclusive of State holidays.

On Oahu:

Department of Human Services Med-QUEST Division Policy & Program Development Office 601 Kamokila Blvd., Room 518 Kapolei, Hawaii 96707-2021 Phone: 692-8058

<u>Mailing Address:</u> Med-QUEST Division Policy & Program Development Office

	P. O. Box 700190 Kapolei, Hawaii 96709-0190
On Maui:	Med-QUEST Division Maui Section Millyard Plaza 210 Imi Kala Street, Suite 101 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 Phone: 243-5780
On Molokai:	Med-QUEST Division Molokai Section State Civic Center 65 Makaena Street, Room 110 Kaunakakai, Hawaii 96748 Phone: 1-800-894-5755
On Lanai:	Med-QUEST Division Lanai Section Call toll free 1-800-894-5755
On Kauai:	Med-QUEST Division Kauai Section Dynasty Court 4473 Pahee Street, Suite A Lihue, Hawaii 96766 Phone: 241-3575
On Hawaii:	Med-QUEST Division East Hawaii Section Waiakea Kai Shopping Plaza 88 Kanoelehua Ave., Room 107 Hilo, Hawaii 96720 Phone: 933-0339
	Med-QUEST Division West Hawaii Section Lanihau Professional Center 75-5591 Palani Road, Suite 3004 Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740 Phone: 327-4970

In addition, written comments concerning the proposed changes may be sent to P. O. Box 700190 at the Oahu mailing address noted above. Upon request, any written comments received by the department may be reviewed at the locations noted above. There are currently no public hearings scheduled with respect to the proposed changes. Public hearings will be held in conjunction with amendments to the Hawaii Administrative Rules that are made to conform those rules to the changes described in this notice. A notice of the time and place of those hearings will be published at a later time.

## DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES PATRICIA MCMANAMAN, DIRECTOR