

**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 modify the methodology and standards that it uses to set the payment rates for inpatient hospital and nursing facility services for the Medicaid program. The proposed changes will be submitted for review by the federal government as an amendment to the Medicaid State Plan to be effective following the date of the notice.

The proposed amendment continues the suspension of the annual inflation factor to inpatient hospital and nursing facility rates for the 4th quarter of FFY 2015 (July 1, 2015 – September 30, 2015) and the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters of FFY 2016 (October 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016).

A copy of the proposed changes are available for public viewing from the first working day that the public notice appears in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, Hawaii Tribune Herald, West Hawaii Today, The Maui News, and The Garden Island, 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 the respective islands listed below.

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601 Kamokila Blvd., Room 518
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Phone: 692-8058

East Hawaii Office
Waiakea Kai Shopping Plaza
1404 Kilauea Avenue
Hilo, Hawaii 96720
Phone: 933-0339

Maui Office
Millyard Plaza
210 Imi Kala Street, Suite 101
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793
Phone: 243-5780

West Hawaii Office
Lanihau Professional Center
75-5591 Palani Road, Suite 3004
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740
Phone: 327-4970

Molokai Office
State Civic Center
65 Makaena Street, Room 110
Kaunakakai, Hawaii 96748
Phone: 553-1758

Kauai Office
Dynasty Court
4473 Pahee Street, Suite A
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

Lanai Office
730 Lanai Avenue
Lanai, City, Hawaii 96763
Toll Free Phone: 1 (800) 894-5755

Phone: 241-3575

In addition, written comments concerning the proposed changes may be sent to locations noted above. Auxiliary aids or services (i.e., interpreter, large print or taped materials) may be arranged upon request. 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 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
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