

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES
OFFICE OF MEDICAID POLICY AND PLANNING
PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING CHANGES IN STATEWIDE METHODS AND STANDARDS
FOR SETTING PAYMENT RATES FOR PROVIDERS OF AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

In accordance with the public notice requirements established at 42 CFR 447.205, the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP), gives notice of changes to the methods and standards governing Medicaid reimbursement methodology for ambulance transportation services.

A supplemental payment may be made to a provider for ambulance transportation services, subject to the availability of funds eligible for federal financial participation. The supplemental payments will be made on the basis of a schedule developed by OMPP in an amount which when combined with other payments under the plan, does not exceed the provider's usual and customary charges.

This payment methodology is expected to result in Medicaid program expenditures (both state and federal dollars) of approximately \$15 million per state fiscal year.

There will be no public hearing.

Copies of the proposed state plan amendment and this public notice will be on file beginning July 1, 2003, and open for public inspection by contacting the Director of the local office of the Division of Family and Children, except in Marion County. The inspection material will be maintained for viewing in Marion County at the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, 402 West Washington Street, Room W382, and will be available from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Written comments from any source regarding these changes should be sent to the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, 402 West Washington Street, Room W382, Indianapolis, IN 46204 to the attention of Pat Nolting. Written comments received will also be available for public review.

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