REVISED LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES

Behavioral Health Intake and Initial Treatment Planning Rates

TAKE NOTICE that the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) intends to seek approval from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), for amendments to the New Jersey Medicaid (Title XIX) State Plan, in order to reflect that New Jersey Medicaid fee-for-service rates for behavioral health intakes and initial treatment planning billed by a mental health or substance abuse treatment program are increasing to match increasing market costs and improve the delivery of crucial outpatient mental health and addiction services. This Notice is revised to correct a typographical error in the previously published Notice. Specifically, correcting that the rates for 90792 and any valid modifier combination will be increasing from \$325 per episode to \$438.17 per episode as opposed to the previously published \$438.10.

Rates specifically affected are: program intakes and initial treatment planning performed by an independent advance practice nurse (90792SA, 90792SA26; a private practicing psychologist (90791 or 9079126); an independent psychiatrist (90792 or 9079226); physician services billed by an independent clinic (substance abuse) or office- based addiction treatment physician (billing code 90792HF); program intakes and initial treatment planning that include physician services that are billed by an independent clinic (mental health) (billing code 90792UC); program intakes and initial treatment planning performed in an independent clinic (substance abuse) that does not include physician services (billing code 90791HF); and, intake assessments and initial treatment planning performed in an independent clinic (mental health) without physician input (billing code 90791UC). Rates for 90792 and any valid modifier combination will be increasing from \$325 per episode to \$438.17 per episode and rates for 90791 and any valid modifier combination will be increasing from \$157.94 per episode to \$167.21 per episode with an effective date of April 1, 2019. The fee schedule is published on the Department's fiscal agent's website at https://www.njmmis.com under "rate and code information."

DMAHS estimates the increased expenditures for State Fiscal Years (SFY) 2019 and 2020 will be \$2.6m total funds (\$0.6m state share) and \$7.7m total funds (\$1.9m state share) respectively.

This Notice is intended to satisfy the requirements of Federal law and regulations, specifically 42 CFR 447.205 and 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(13). A copy of this Notice is available for public review at the Medical Assistance Customer Centers, County Welfare Agencies, and the Department's website at:

http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/public/index.html.

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