DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES Behavioral Health Services Rates

TAKE NOTICE 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 any required amendments to the New Jersey Medicaid (Title XIX) State Plan in order to implement the following subject to the passage of the State Fiscal Year 2024 (SFY24) Appropriations Act.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, DHS intends to seek an amendment to increase fee-for-service rates for behavioral health services. With respect to Mental Health, this includes Outpatient Services, Partial Care/Partial Hospitalization/Acute Partial Hospitalization, Adult Mental Health Rehabilitation (AMHR), Community Support Services, Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) and Case Management Services. With respect to Substance Use Disorder, this includes Outpatient Services, Partial Care, Intensive Outpatient, Short-Term Residential Services, Long Term Residential Services, Inpatient Withdrawal Management, Ambulatory Withdrawal Management, Peer delivered services, Case Management and Methadone Outpatient. Additionally, rates for Psychiatric Evaluation, Psychotherapy and Partial Care for Children will also be increased. These rate changes, if approved as part of the SFY 2024 Appropriations Act, are intended to support provider capacity to deliver services, and to maintain access to these services, for NJ FamilyCare beneficiaries. The fee schedule will be published on the Department's fiscal agent's website at https://www.njmmis.com under "rate and code information" when available.

The estimated incremental costs for SFY 2024 and 2025 are projected to be \$38.6m (\$13.0 State share and \$25.6m federal share) and \$38.6 (\$13.0m State share and \$25.6m federal share), respectively. This Notice is intended to satisfy the requirements of Federal statutes 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.

Comments or inquiries must be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date of this notice to:

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