

Human Services

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February 6, 2020

Vonette Richter, Legal Division Director North Dakota Legislative Council State Capitol Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: Proposed Amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-23 Provision of Home and Community-Based Services Under the Service Payments for Elderly and Disabled Program and the Medicaid Waiver for the Aged and Disabled Program

Dear Ms. Richter:

Enclosed for filing in the office of the Legislative Council is the Notice of Intent to amend Administrative Rules concerning the above proposed rules as required by N.D.C.C. section 28-32-10. Also enclosed is a copy of the proposed rules.

We have requested publication of an abbreviated newspaper publication notice once in each official county newspaper which will notify the public that an oral hearing on these rules will be held on Thursday, March 26, 2020, beginning at 12:00 p.m. and continuing until 1:30 p.m. or until no further testimony is offered, whichever occurs first.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 328-2311. Thank you.

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cc: Nancy Nikolas-Maier, Aging Services LeeAnn Thiel, Medical Services

Enclosures

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RELATING TO N.D.A.C. CHAPTER 75-03-23 PROVISION OF HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES UNDER THE SERVICE PAYMENTS FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED PROGRAM AND THE MEDICAID WAIVER FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED PROGRAM

TAKE NOTICE that the North Dakota Department of Human Services will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-23 at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2020, in Bismarck, N.D. in Room 210, located on the second floor of the Judicial Wing of the State Capitol.

The proposed amendments to N.D. Admin. Code Chapter 75-03-23, Provision of Home and Community-Based Services under the Service Payments for Elderly and Disabled Program and the Medicaid Waiver for the Aged and Disabled Program, are necessary to comply with 2019 Senate Bill No. 2124.

The proposed changes are as follows:

Section 75-03-23-01 is amended to add a definition of "Designee" to allow a qualified service provider to enroll to provide case management services for the Medicaid waiver program.

Section 75-03-23-03 is amended to remove the requirement for the department to provide notice to the department's designee regarding the effective date of the applicant's eligibility for services for the Service Payments for Elderly and Disabled (SPED) program and replace "department's designee" with "department" in compliance with 2019 Senate Bill No. 2124.

Section 75-03-23-11 is amended to replace "department's designee" with "department" and to remove the provision that allowed for a review of a decision by the county social service board director or their designee in compliance with 2019 Senate Bill No. 2124.

Section 75-03-23-15 is amended to replace "department or the department's designee" with "department or it's designee" for consistency purposes.

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The proposed amendments are not anticipated to have an impact on the regulated community in excess of \$50,000. No taking of real property is involved in this rulemaking action.

Copies of the proposed rules are available for review at the human service zones (formerly known as county social services) offices and at human service centers. Copies of the proposed rules and the regulatory analysis relating to these rules may be requested by telephoning (701) 328-2311. Written or oral data, views, or arguments may be entered at the hearing or sent to: Rules Administrator, North Dakota Department of Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Written data, views, or arguments on the proposed rules must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2020.

ATTENTION PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If you plan to attend the hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability, please contact the Department of Human Services at the above telephone number or address at least two weeks prior to the hearing.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2020.



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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Department of Human Services is proposing amendments to N.D. Admin. Code chapter 75-03-23, Provision of Home and Community-Based Services Under the Service Payments for Elderly and Disabled Program and the Medicaid Waiver for the Aged and Disabled Program. The department has adopted procedures to assure public input into the formulation of the rules prior to adoption.

In conformity with those procedures, we are providing you with a copy of the proposed rules and are requesting that you provide any written data, views, or arguments no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2020.

The department has scheduled an oral hearing for Thursday, March 26, 2020. Further information concerning the public hearing is included in the attached notice of proposed rulemaking and public hearing.

Your participation is welcomed, as are your suggestions. Please send all written data, views, or arguments to: Rules Administrator, Department of Human Services, State Capitol - Judicial Wing, 600 E. Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, ND 58505-0250.

Sincerely,

Deputy Director

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Christopher Jones, Executive Director

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