## TITLE 405 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

## **Notice of Public Hearing**

LSA Document #09-262

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Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on March 4, 2010, at 9:00 a.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Conference Center Room 3, Indianapolis, Indiana, the Office of the Secretary of Family and Social Services will hold a public hearing on a proposed rule adding 405 IAC 2-3.2-1 concerning Medicaid presumptive eligibility services for pregnant women with limited family incomes.

To comply with the provisions of IC 4-22-2-24(d)(3), the agency further states the following: The changes are to comply with HEA 1678 (2007), which OMPP was directed by the state legislature to apply, as necessary, for approval from the Department of Health and Human Services to provide presumptive eligibility in Medicaid for pregnant women and, once obtained, implement the program change. These changes will allow a pregnant woman to become eligible for Medicaid and gain access to needed ambulatory prenatal care while a Medicaid application is pending, which is intended to improve access to early prenatal care. Early prenatal care has been shown to improve pregnancy outcomes. The compliance costs for individuals and businesses, including costs of fees, new equipment or supplies, increased labor and training, education, and supervisory costs will be minor. OMPP anticipates that qualified providers will incur minor additional administrative expenses in performing presumptive eligibility determinations. These additional expenses will be associated with training to become a qualified provider, training staff, educating patients about the program, and assisting patients with the presumptive eligibility application.

Copies of the proposed rule and this notice are now available and may be inspected by contacting the director of the local county Division of Family Resources office, except in Marion County, where public inspection may be made at 402 West Washington Street, Room W382, Indianapolis, Indiana.

If an accommodation is required to allow an individual with a disability to participate in this public meeting, please contact Joy Heim at (317) 232-1139 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

All parties interested in the rule are invited to attend the hearing and offer public comments. In lieu of attendance at the hearing, written comments may be sent to: IFSSA, Attention: Glenna Asmus, 402 West Washington Street, Room W382, P.O. Box 7083, Indianapolis, IN 46207-7083. Correspondence should be identified in the following manner: "COMMENT RE: LSA Document #09-262, Proposed Additional of Presumptive Eligibility". All written comments concerning the rule received by OMPP will be available for public inspection at the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, 402 West Washington Street Room W382, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Copies of these rules are now on file at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W451 and Legislative Services Agency, One North Capitol, Suite 325, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection.

Anne Waltermann Murphy Secretary Office of the Secretary of Family and Social Services

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