TITLE 405 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Public Hearing LSA Document #14-337

Notice of Public Hearing

Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on September 10, 2015, at 1:00 p.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Conference Center Room 14, Indianapolis, Indiana, the Office of the Secretary of Family and Social Services will hold a public hearing on a proposed rule that amends 405 IAC 5-22-1 to update the definitions of certain categories of necessary services; amends 405 IAC 5-22-6, 405 IAC 5-22-8, and 405 IAC 5-22-10 to make changes to coverage requirements for medically necessary occupational therapy services, physical therapy services, respiratory therapy services, and speech and pathology services for individuals under 21 years of age; amends 405 IAC 5-22-11 to update the licensure and supervision requirements for occupational therapy assistants in accordance with IC 25-23.5-1-6 and IC 25-23.5-3; and adds 405 IAC 5-22-12 to add applied behavioral analysis therapy services as a reimbursable component.

Pursuant to <u>IC 4-22-2-24(d)(3)</u>, the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) has determined that the proposed rule will impose requirements and may impose costs on regulated entities affected by the proposed rule. Regulated entities will be required to comply with licensure and supervision requirements for occupational therapy assistants as required by law under <u>IC 25-23.5-3</u> and <u>IC 25-23.5-1-6</u>. The proposed rule also adds ABA therapy services, which serve a public need by promoting health. Regulated entities that want to provide ABA therapy services will be required to comply with Medicaid regulations regarding Medicaid providers.

All parties interested in the proposed rule are invited to attend the public hearing and to offer public comments. In lieu of attendance at the public hearing, written comments may be sent to: FSSA, Attention: Kim Crawford, 402 W. Washington St., Room W451, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Correspondence should be identified in the following manner: "COMMENT RE: LSA Document #14-337, Nursing Therapies and ABA Rule". All written comments concerning the rule received by the FSSA will be available for public inspection at the Office of General Counsel, Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W451, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Copies of the proposed rule and this notice are now available on the Family and Social Services Administration website at:

http://www.in.gov/fssa/4543.htm

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 W451, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Copies of these rules are now on file at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W451 and Legislative Services Agency, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N201, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection.

John J. Wernert, M.D. Secretary Indiana Family and Social Services Administration

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