TITLE 405 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Public Hearing LSA Document #15-449

Notice of Public Hearing

Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on August 4, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Conference Center Room 19, Indianapolis, Indiana, the Office of the Secretary of Family and Social Services – Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning will hold a public hearing on a proposed rule amending 405 IAC 1-16 to modify the Medicaid reimbursement rule for covered hospice services to be consistent with federal regulations and also to make minor language revisions.

Pursuant to <u>IC 4-22-2-24</u>(d)(3), the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) – Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) has determined that these changes are necessary due to federal changes to Medicare hospice payment rates, which is the rate upon which Indiana's hospice payments are based. FSSA-OMPP's proposed rule will not impose any new compliance costs on any regulated entity.

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: Amber Swartzell c/o Chris Fletcher, 402 W. Washington St., Room W451, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Correspondence should be identified in the following manner: "COMMENT RE: LSA Document #15-449, Hospice Service Intensity Add-On Rule". All written comments concerning the rule received by the FSSA - OMPP will be available for public inspection at FSSA's 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 FSSA website at: http://www.in.gov/fssa/4543.htm

Copies of these rules are now on file at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W451 and Legislative Services Agency, 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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