TITLE 405 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Public Hearing

LSA Document #16-527

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Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on May 5, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Conference Center Room D, 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 5-22-6 to modify the prior authorization criteria for therapy services.

Pursuant to IC 4-22-2-24(d)(3), the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) – Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) proposes to amend 405 IAC 5-22-6 to add nurse practitioners and physician assistants to the list of practitioners that are permitted to order physical therapy services. Because of this change, the OMPP also proposes to update the rule language for other types of therapy to provide clarity on the practitioners that may order therapy. The addition of nurse practitioners and physician assistants to the list of practitioners that may order physical therapy services is necessary in order to ensure consistency with IC 25-27-1-2 as amended by House Enrolled Act (HEA) 1034-2013.

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: Leslie Huckleberry c/o Michael Cook, 402 W. Washington St., Room W451, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Correspondence should be identified in the following manner: "COMMENT RE: LSA Document #16-527, Therapy 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.

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