EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Title of Rule: "Overview of the Rhode Island Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Programs"

Rule Identifier: 210-RICR-10-00-1

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Amendment

Important Dates:
Date of Public Notice: December 19, 2023
End of Public Comment: January 18, 2024

Rulemaking Authority:

Rhode Island General Laws Chapters 40-8 (Medical Assistance); 42-7.2 (Executive Office of Health & Human Services) and 40-6 (Public Assistance Act)

R.I. Gen. Laws § 40-6

R.I. Gen. Laws § 40-8

R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-7.2

42 U.S.C. 1397aa et seq.

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

On 5/18/23, Governor McKee signed the Equalityin Abortion Coverage Act which directed EOHHS to cover abortions for Medicaidbeneficiaries. This regulation is being amended to reflect this policy change.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until January 18, 2024 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by a governmental agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within ten (10) days of the publication of this notice.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

By ensuring state funding for reproductive healthcare forthose eligible for Medicaid, Rhode Island is ensuring reproductive justice forour most low-income residents, supporting their health and wellbeing and theirright to a safe and legal medical procedure as protected by state law.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.