IDAPA 16 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE

16.03.09 - MEDICAID BASIC PLAN BENEFITS

DOCKET NO. 16-0309-1101

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Sections 56-202(b), 56-203(g), 56-203(i), 56-250 through 56-257, Idaho Code, Section 56-209(g), Idaho Code, and House Bill 260 (2011).

MEETING SCHEDULE: Public meetings on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

Monday, May 16, 2011, at 1:00 p.m.

MEDICAID CENTRAL OFFICE Conference Room D (East & West) 3232 Elder Street, Boise, ID 83705

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must do the following:

- 1. Attend the negotiated rulemaking meeting and participate in the negotiation process;
- 2. Provide oral or written recommendations, or both, at the negotiated rulemaking meeting;
- 3. Submit written recommendations and comments to the address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

Rules changes are needed to implement the legislative intent in Section 8 of House Bill 260 passed by the 2011 legislature. This Section requires the Department to pay the lesser of the pharmacy provider's lowest charge to the general public for a drug or the estimated acquisition cost (EAC), plus a dispensing fee. The Department is seeking public input on how best to implement these changes in law.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking or to obtain a copy of the preliminary draft of the text of the proposed rule (if available), contact Robert Kellerman at (208) 364-1994.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before May 25, 2011.

DATED this 7th day of April, 2011.

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