

ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

RULE NO. & TITLE: 560-X-37-.07 Regional Care Organizations (RCO)

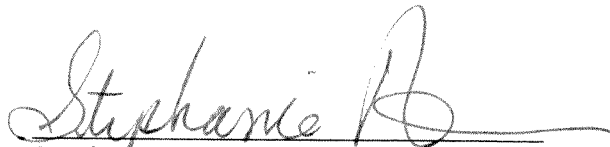
INTENDED ACTION: Add 560-X-37-.07

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The above referenced chapter is being amended to add rule number 560-X-37-.07 regarding Regional Care Organizations. The rule establishes the RCO regions statewide.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: A public hearing to receive comments on the proposed rule will be held at 1:00 p.m. July 15, 2013 at the State Capitol, in the Capitol Auditorium, 600 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama 36130.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Written or oral comments may be submitted to the Alabama Medicaid Agency by no later than August 2, 2013. All comments and requests for copies of the proposed rule should be addressed to the contact person listed below.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Stephanie Lindsay, Administrative Secretary, Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624.



Stephanie McGee Azar
Acting Commissioner

Rule No. 560-X-37-.07 - Regional Care Organizations (RCO) NEW RULE

The Alabama Medicaid Agency is responsible for the development and oversight of a Regional Care Organization (RCO) program as part of an overall managed care system within the state. This program will promote accountability for a patient population, coordinate items and services under Medicaid, and encourage investment in the infrastructure of care processes for higher quality and more efficient services provided to Medicaid beneficiaries.

Geographic Boundaries

(a) Effective October 1, 2013 the following designations of geographic boundaries have been established for RCO locations:

Region A includes Colbert, Cullman, Franklin, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, and Morgan counties.

Region B includes Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Cleburne, Clay, Coosa, Dekalb, Etowah, Jefferson, Randolph, Shelby, St. Clair, Talladega, Tallapoosa and Walker counties.

Region C includes Bibb, Choctaw, Fayette, Greene, Hale, Lamar, Marengo, Marion, Perry, Pickens, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, and Winston counties.

Region D includes Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Chambers, Chilton, Crenshaw, Coffee, Dale, Dallas, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Montgomery, Pike, Russell and Wilcox counties.

Region E includes Baldwin, Clarke, Conecuh, Covington, Escambia, Mobile, Monroe, and Washington counties.

(b) Each region will be capable of supporting a minimum of two RCOs or alternate care providers.

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Statutory Authority: Alabama State Plan for Medical Assistance (hereinafter State Plan), Section 2.1(c), Attachment 2.1-A; Social Security Act, Title XI and Title XIX, Section 1903(m) (2) (B); Act 2013-261.

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