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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control No: 560 Department or Agency: Alabama Medicaid Agency

Rule No: 560-X-38-06

Rule Title: Surgical Procedures Groups
_____ New Rule; X Amend; _____ Repeal; _____ Adoption by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? _____ no

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? _____ yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? _____ no

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? _____ no

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? _____ no

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? _____ yes

Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? _____ no

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer: Stephanie Lindsay

Date: 9/22/14

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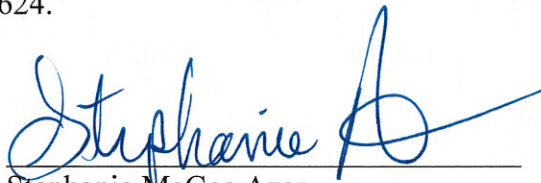
INTENDED ACTION: Amend 560-X-38-.06

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The above referenced rule is being amended to correct the highest number of payment groups for surgical procedures.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written or oral comments may be submitted to the Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624. Agency business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Written/Oral comments concerning this change must be received by the Alabama Medicaid Agency no later than November 4, 2014.

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-38-.06 Surgical Procedures Groups

(1) The surgical procedures shall be classified into separate payment groups. All procedures within the same payment group are reimbursed at a single rate. These rates are subject to adjustment by the Alabama Medicaid Agency. The group payment amount is lowest for Group One procedures and highest for Group ~~Four~~ Nine. A provider shall receive the lesser of the submitted charge or the designated group charge less the copay amount.

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Authority: 42 C.F.R. Section 405.310 and Section 416.65. Rule effective September 1, 1986;

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