

**ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY**

**NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

**RULE NO. & TITLE:** 560-X-25-.03 Coverage Groups

**INTENDED ACTION:** Amend 560-X-25-.03 (2), (8) (b), (9), (10) (c)

**SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:** The above-referenced rule is being amended to align the rule with federal laws requiring:

- (1) the elimination of the eligibility requirement that a deemed newborn (an infant born to a Medicaid-eligible mother and deemed eligible for Medicaid for the first year of life) must remain a member of the mother's household; and,
- (2) the alignment of the resource limit for Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries, Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries and Qualifying Individuals with the resource limit for individuals who qualify for the full low-income subsidy under Medicare Part D.

This rule change will not affect deemed newborns in Alabama, because current rules require that a child under age 19 remains eligible for 12 consecutive months regardless of changes in the child's circumstances as long as the child remains in Alabama. The rule change will not affect Medicare beneficiaries applying for or receiving benefits under the Medicare Savings Programs, because the Alabama Medicaid Agency does not consider resources when determining eligibility for those programs.

**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, 334-242-5833. 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 June 4, 2010.

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



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