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PUBLIC NOTICE

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO ALABAMA STATE PLAN FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Effective February 1, 2009, the Alabama Medicaid Agency is proposing to amend Attachment 3.1-A, Page 9.24 and Attachment 3.1-D, Page 1 of the Alabama State Plan for Medical Assistance.

The purpose of the changes to Attachment 3.1-A, Page 9.24 and Attachment 3.1-D, Page 1 is to revise policy for non-emergency ambulance services rendered to eligible Alabama Medicaid recipients who must be bed-confined or have debilitating physical condition(s) that require travel by stretcher only and require ground transportation to receive medical services. The 30 mile or greater prior authorization requirement is being changed to 100 miles or greater. The prior authorization procedure for more than two round trip visits per month between home and hospital or specialized clinics in addition to home and treatment facilities for recipients designated on Home Health Care Programs who are confined bed-fast patients is no longer required.

A copy of the proposed changes will be made available upon request for public review at each county office of the Department of Human Resources and the State Office of the Alabama Medicaid Agency.

Written comments concerning this change are welcome and should be mailed to Administrative Secretary, Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, P.O. Box 5624, Montgomery, AL 36103-5624. All written comments will be available for review by the public during normal business hours at the above address.

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