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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE ALABAMA STATE PLAN FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

The Alabama Medicaid Agency is proposing to amend its State Plan for Hospice Benefit (Concurrent Care for Children) through a State Plan Amendment. This amendment will allow the Medicaid Agency to no longer require parents with children under the age of 21 receiving hospice care, to waive all rights to Medicaid services covered under Medicaid for the duration of hospice care. Based on the *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act*, a voluntary election to receive hospice care for a child shall not constitute a waiver of any rights of the child to be provided with, or to have payments made for services that are related to the treatment of the child's condition for which a diagnosis of terminal illness has been made. Children can now receive services related to the treatment of the condition for which a diagnosis of terminal illness was made.

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 these changes are welcome and should be mailed to Administrative Secretary, Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, P. O. Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 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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