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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

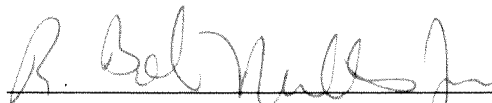
**SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO ALABAMA STATE PLAN FOR NURSING FACILITY VENTILATOR-DEPENDENT RESIDENTS**

Effective January 1, 2012, the Alabama Medicaid Agency is proposing to amend Attachment 4.19-D, pages 8 and 10a of the Alabama Medicaid State Plan for nursing facility reimbursement for ventilator-dependent residents.

This amendment will allow the Medicaid Agency to pay nursing facilities a supplemental fee-for-service payment for care provided to Medicaid recipients who are ventilator-dependent or qualified tracheostomy residents of a nursing facility. This coverage will include, but not be limited to, individuals currently on the Technology Assisted Waiver for Adults and the Private Duty Nursing program who meet the criteria to receive care in the nursing facility based upon their need for ventilator-dependent/tracheostomy care. Additionally, changes to 4.19-D, page 8 are being made to be consistent with State reimbursement regulations.

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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