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Dialysis Clinic Medicaid State Plan Amendment effective July 1, 2020

On or before September 30, 2020, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services will submit the following Medicaid State Plan Amendment for approval to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Effective July 1, 2020, the Clinic Services State Plan will be updated to reflect the most current freestanding dialysis clinic fee schedule date. The fee schedule update will include the legislatively appropriated provider rate increase for freestanding dialysis clinics. An analysis was required to confirm the proposed rate increase would not result in paying above the Upper Payment Limit for freestanding dialysis clinics. The increase to the freestanding dialysis clinic rate does not impact dialysis clinics under a P.L. 638 agreement operated by a Tribe.

The total estimated annual fiscal impact for the freestanding dialysis clinic rate change is \$61,810.

We invite your public comments and questions postmarked **through July 17, 2020**. You may direct comments to Mary Eve Kulawik, Medicaid State Plan Amendment and Waiver Coordinator, at (406) 444-2584 or mkulawik@mt.gov; or Director's Office, PO Box 4210, Helena MT 59604-4210.