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NOTICE

Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 23-0046 Outpatient Hospital Supplemental Payments (Safety Net Program). Effective Date: January 1, 2024.

Description: The health care authority (HCA) intends to submit SPA 23-0046 to update outpatient hospital supplemental payment amounts for the new safety net program. Prospective payment system hospitals' total supplemental payment pool will be reduced to \$24,800,000. SPA 23-0046 will also change "state fiscal year" to "calendar year."

SPA 23-0046 is expected to decrease the annual aggregate expenditures/payments for prospective payment system hospitals that receive supplemental payments by \$34,700,000.

A copy of SPA 23-0046 is available for review. HCA would appreciate any input or concerns regarding this SPA. To request a copy of the SPA or submit comments, please contact the person named below (please note that all comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment).

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