WSR 21-06-045

HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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## NOTICE

Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0013 Ambulance Transport Quality Assurance Fee.

Effective Date: July 1, 2021.

Description: The health care authority (HCA) previously published its intent to submit medicaid SPA 20-0032 under WSR 20-15-081 in order to comply with ESSB 6534, which directs HCA to establish an ambulance transportation quality assurance fee program to provide an add-on to fee-for-emergency ambulance rates for nonpublic and nonfederal emergency ambulance transportation providers. The add-on payment will be funded solely from assessments to the nonpublic and nonfederal ambulance providers. Submission of SPA 20-0032 was delayed. HCA intends to submit SPA 21-0013 in its place.

SPA 21-0013 is expected to increase the annual aggregate payment for emergency ambulance transportation services by one hundred twentyfive percent to one hundred eighty-three percent.

SPA 21-0013 is in the development process; therefore a copy is not yet available for review. HCA would appreciate any input or concerns regarding this SPA. To request a copy when it becomes available 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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