

ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

RULE NO. & TITLE: 560-X-23-.08 Outpatient Services

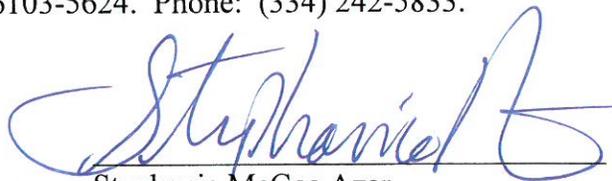
INTENDED ACTION: Amend 560-X-23-.08

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The above referenced rule is being amended to add that certified emergency room visits must be properly documented by the attending licensed physician, nurse practitioner or physician's assistant in the medical record.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written or oral comments may be submitted to the Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624. Agency business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: Written/Oral comments concerning this change must be received by the Alabama Medicaid Agency no later than February 4, 2016.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Stephanie Lindsay, Administrative Secretary, Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624. Phone: (334) 242-5833.



Stephanie McGee Azar
Commissioner

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(1) ~~Non-certified emergency room visits will be restricted to three (3) per calendar year.~~ Certified emergency room visits must be properly documented by the attending licensed physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant in the medical record. ~~Hospitals shall not be paid more than three non-certified emergency room visits per year, but the costs of providing additional care shall be accounted for and reported to Alabama Medicaid as a cost of providing care to Medicaid eligible recipients.~~

(2) Outpatient Medicaid Base Payments.

Outpatient Medicaid Base Payments will be calculated as described in the Alabama Medicaid Agency State Plan and amendments thereto as currently approved by the Hospital Services and Reimbursement Panel.

(3) Outpatient Access Payments.

Outpatient Access Payments will be calculated as described in the Alabama Medicaid Agency State Plan and amendments thereto as currently approved by the Hospital Services and Reimbursement Panel.

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Statutory Authority: State Plan, Title XIX, Social Security Act, 42 C.F.R. Section 401, et seq.

History: Effective June 9, 1986. **Amended:** Emergency Rule filed and effective September 2, 2010. Filed September 20, 2010; effective December 17, 2010. **Amended:** Emergency Rule filed and effective October 1, 2011. Filed September 23, 2011. **Amended:** Filed December 12, 2011; effective January 16, 2012. **Amended:** Filed September 11, 2013; effective October 16, 2013. **Amended:** Filed December 18, 2015.