

PUBLIC NOTICE
Wyoming Department of Health
Wyoming Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement

Public notice is hereby given that effective February 1, 2019, the Wyoming Department of Health intends to make changes to the Wyoming Medicaid State Plan for inpatient hospital reimbursement.

The Wyoming Department of Health will be updating the inpatient hospital Medicaid payment methodology from level of care (LOC) to an All Patient Refined Diagnosis-Related Grouping (APR-DRG) methodology.

APR DRGs allow both providers and payers to categorize complex patient claims data into more than 1,200 unique groups for analysis and payment. WDH will use the APR DRG methodology to classify cases and to determine a prospective rate. This methodology will improve allocation of funds based on patient acuity. Similar to LOC payments, DRG payments will be made on a per discharge basis, with the continuing goal of encouraging the management of costs and efficiency.

The proposed changes update Wyoming Medicaid State Plan Attachment 4.19a, Level of Care Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement, and Chapter 30 of Medicaid Rules, Level of Care Inpatient Hospital Reimbursement.

There is no budget appropriation for this state plan amendment, as this reimbursement update is to remain budget neutral.

Copies of the Wyoming Medicaid State Plan Amendment will be available from the Department of Health, Division of Healthcare Financing. To obtain a copy of the State Plan Amendment, contact:

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Dated this 29th Day of October, 2018