

**Public and Tribal Notice**  
**Wyoming Department of Health**  
**Ground Ambulance Supplemental Payment Program**

May 22, 2023

Public and Tribal notice is hereby given that the Wyoming Department of Health intends to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The State Plan provides access to supplemental payments to be made to in-state ground ambulance providers that break down into three groups: state owned, non-state government owned, and privately owned.

Subject to the provisions of this section, effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2023, ground ambulance providers located and licensed in the State Of Wyoming may be eligible for Medicaid supplemental payments. To be eligible for supplemental payment as defined, the Wyoming ground ambulance provider must submit payment rates negotiated between the provider and commercial insurance companies to the Wyoming Department of Health. Calculations of supplemental payments will be made annually. Supplemental payments provided by this program are available to compensate ground ambulance providers for the ambulance services provided to Medicaid fee-for-service (FFS) members. Total Medicaid payment from claims and supplemental payments are summed for all ground ambulance providers within each upper payment limit (UPL) ownership category and compared to the sum of estimated alternate commercial payment amounts on the same set of Medicaid claims. If the Medicaid payments are equal to or less than the estimated alternate commercial payments, the State meets the federal UPL test. The State will demonstrate compliance with the UPL test on a yearly basis in accordance with federal UPL.

Wyoming Medicaid estimates this programmatic change to be budget neutral for the Medicaid general fund, but will use approved assessment and distribution methodologies to access additional federal revenue for qualifying providers and services. Pursuant to governing statute, Wyoming Medicaid may withhold up to 3% of calculated payments to cover the program's administrative costs.

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

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Public comment will be accepted from May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 – June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.