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<b>TITLE</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>DATE GOV APPROVED/S UB'D TO AELR</b>	<b>DATE OF 1ST PRINT IN MD REG.</b>	<b>30-DAY COMMENT PERIOD</b>	<b>DATE OF FINAL PRINT IN MD REG.</b>
RTC	Increases provider rates by re-basing the per diem rates paid to Residential Treatment Centers and removing the requirement that individual provider rates are re-based at a lower rate if costs fall below target in a given year. Increases maximum rates for RTC serving individuals between the ages of 12 and 21, and individuals 12 and under. Updates references to regulations relevant to diagnoses and pre-authorization.	11/22/21	<b>1/14/22</b> Ant.	<b>1/14/22</b> — <b>2/14/22</b>  Ant.	
Healthchoice	The purpose of the proposed action is to update the definition of administrative denials, add fraud prevention activities to MLR reporting requirements, revise provider termination notification requirements, update tagline and provider directory requirements and provider practice guidelines, and revise appeal requirements in order to comply with federal managed care provisions.	12/10/21	<b>1/14/22</b> Ant.	<b>1/14/22</b> — <b>2/14/22</b> Ant.	
Home Visiting	The purpose of this action is to establish coverage, requirements, and reimbursement procedures for entities who enroll in Maryland Medicaid to provide home visiting services for pregnant and postpartum individuals as well as other members identified as participating in home visiting services.	9/16/21	10/22/21	10/22/21 — 11/22/21	1/3/22
Doula Services	To establish coverage, requirements, and reimbursement procedures for doulas who enroll in Maryland Medicaid to provide services for pregnant and postpartum individuals; and doula services to the list of MCO-covered pregnancy-related benefits.	9/27/21	11/19/21	11/19/21 — 12/19/21	
Medical Assistance Eligibility	To clarify eligibility criteria for individuals eligible for Medicaid under Social Security Act §1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) who have dependent children, and extend the covered postpartum period for pregnant women from 60 days to 12 months.	12/16/21	<b>1/14/22</b> Ant.	<b>1/14/22</b> — <b>2/14/22</b> Ant.	
Health Homes	To effectuate the FY 2022 rates for health homes providers, which were implemented early on January 1, 2020, and to establish the FY 2021 rates in effect July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.	11/10/21	12/17/21	<b>12/17/21</b> — <b>1/17/22</b> Ant.	
1915(i) Intensive Behavioral Health Services for Children, Youth and Families	To effectuate the FY 2022 rates, which were implemented early on January 1, 2021, and to establish the FY 2021 rates in effect July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.	11/10/21	12/17/21	<b>12/17/21</b> — <b>1/17/22</b> Ant.	

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MMCP: Managed Care Organizations	To implement the CY 2021 Healthchoice Manage Care Organization capitation rates.	11/10/21	12/17/21	12/17/21 — 1/17/22 Ant.		
Adult Residential SUD	To effectuate FY 2022 rates and establish rates in place for the first half of FY 2021. Updates definitions and amends the required licensing body.	10/4/21	10/22/21	10/22/21 — 11/22/21		
GMAPP Criteria	To codify policies for the usage of LTSSMaryland and Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) systems.	11/22/21	1/14/22 Ant.	1/14/22 — 2/14/22 Ant.		
EPSDT: School Health-Related Services or Health-Related Early Intervention Services	To permit coverage of telehealth services rendered via two-way audio-visual technology.	6/25/21	7/30/21	8/13/21 — 9/13/21		
EPSDT	To update the effective date for the Audiology, Physical Therapy, and Early Periodic, Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) Provider Manual, which is incorporated by reference in this regulation.	7/15/21	9/10/21	9/10/21 — 10/12/21		