

## GOBIERNO DE PUERTO RICO Departamento de Salud

## Public Notice for PRMP Removal of Copays for non-Rx Services for all Medicaid <u>Populations</u>

As required by 42 CFR 447.57(c), the Puerto Rico Medicaid Program (PRMP) is providing this public notice and opportunity to comment on proposed substantial changes to existing Medicaid cost sharing requirements.

The Puerto Rico Department of Health (PRDoH), through the Puerto Rico Medicaid Program (PRMP), will file with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) an amendment to its State Plan to remove copays on all services other than prescription drugs. The elimination of copayments also applies to services provided under the Puerto Rico Medicaid Alternative Benefit Plan (ABP), which is the plan that details the services available for individuals covered under the PRMP Medicaid Adult Expansion program.

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) services are provided in the PRMP ABP to those eligible individuals in the Medicaid Expansion program who are under age 21. There are currently no copays on services to individuals under the age of 21. This will not change as a result of the State Plan Amendment (SPA).

PRMP proposes to make the amendment effective on or after January 1, 2023. PRMP expects to submit the SPA to CMS by March 31, 2023. Eliminating copayments, other than on prescription drugs, depends on approval by CMS.

Any person or organization may file written comments on this amendment within thirty (30) calendar days of the publication of this Public Notice on the Medicaid Program website (<u>https://www.medicaid.pr.gov/</u>).

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