July 1, 2024

<u>Public Notice for Adding Home Health, Hospice, and Non-Emergency Medical</u>
<u>Transportation Services to the Alternative Benefits Plan</u>

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2024, the Puerto Rico Department of Health (PRDoH), through the Puerto Rico Medicaid Program (PRMP), expects to file with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) an amendment to its Medicaid Alternative Benefit Plan (ABP), which describes services for the adult expansion population to include home health, durable medical equipment, hospice, and non-emergency transportation services.

At the time the ABP is amended, PRMP will review the entire ABP and make necessary updates to align language in the ABP to the State Plan and CMS-approved Managed Care Organization contracts. As the changes are alignment in nature, there is no expected increase in Medicaid expenditures.

Implementation of these changes are subject to approval from the Fiscal Office Management Board (FOMB) and CMS.

Pursuant to 42 CFR § 440.345, Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) services will be provided in the PRMP ABP to those eligible individuals in the Medicaid Expansion group who are under age 21.

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