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PUBLIC NOTICE

REIMBURSEMENT FOR INPATIENT HOSPITAL SERVICES

July 24, 2025

As required by 42 CFR 447.205 the Puerto Rico Medicaid Program (PRMP) is providing this public notice and opportunity to comment on proposed changes to Medicaid inpatient hospital reimbursement methodology.

Effective for discharges on or after October 1, 2025, inpatient hospital facilities will be reimbursed based on diagnosis related groups (DRGs).

The Puerto Rico Department of Health (PRDoH), through the PRMP, will file with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) an amendment to its State Plan to replace outdated material with a description of the DRG reimbursement methodology. Puerto Rico expects to submit the State Plan Amendment (SPA) to CMS by July 30, 2025. Implementation of this change is contingent upon approval by CMS.

These changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact since the DRG reimbursement rates and methodology are designed to modernize the Puerto Rico Medicaid program's inpatient hospital reimbursement methodology while being budget neutral.

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 (<https://www.medicaid.pr.gov/>).

Comments may be filed by mail or email:

- a. Comments by mail: Luz E. Cruz-Romero, Executive Interim Director; Medicaid Program, Department of Health, P.O. Box 70184; San Juan, P.R. 00936-8184
- b. Comments by e-mail: prmedicaid@salud.pr.gov

Proposed changes may be viewed at local PRMP offices.