TAKE NOTICE the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) intends to seek approval from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), for amendments to the New Jersey Medicaid (Title XIX) State Plan in order to in order to implement State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2018 Appropriations Act.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or regulation to the contrary, DHS intends to seek an amendment to increase the assisted living per diems so that assisted living facilities, comprehensive personal care homes, and assisted living programs receive no less than $75, $65, and $55 respectively per day as reimbursement for each NJ FamilyCare beneficiary. This rate change was approved as part of the SFY 2018 Appropriations Act and is intended to support access to Assisted Living services by NJ FamilyCare beneficiaries. The fee schedule is published on the Department’s fiscal agent’s website at https://www.njmmis.com under “rate and code information.”

The estimated state costs for SFY 2018 and 2019 are projected to be $9M ($3.1M State share and $5.9M federal share) and $9.8M ($3.4M State share and $6.4M federal share), respectively.

This Notice is intended to satisfy the requirements of Federal statutes and regulations, specifically 42 CFR 447.205, and 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(13). A copy of this Notice is available for public review at the Medical Assistance Customer Centers, County Welfare Agencies, and the Department’s website at: http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/public/index.html.

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