DEPARTMENT PROVIDES CMS PLAN SCREENING DATA TO BE PRESENTED AT RULEMAKING WORKSHOP



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Tallahassee, Fla.—On Wednesday, April 20, the Florida Department of Health will continue the administrative rulemaking process regarding clinical eligibility criteria for the Children's Medical Services Managed Care Plan (CMS Plan) by holding a rule workshop to review rules <u>64C-2.002</u> and <u>64C-2.003</u> and engage stakeholders in a discussion about clinical eligibility for the CMS Plan.

In addition to receiving public input on the rules and proposed changes to the physician attestation form, the department will also present data from the past three months of clinical eligibility screening.

"The data collected since screening resumed on January 11 is very encouraging," said Interim State Surgeon General Dr. Celeste Philip. "We look forward to the opportunity to share this data with the public at the rulemaking workshop, and the department will continue to gather data related to clinical eligibility screening for the CMS Plan to ensure children with serious and chronic health care needs have access to the plan."

In the time since clinical eligibility screening for the CMS Plan resumed in January:

- More than 19,300 parent-based survey screenings have been completed.
- More than 380 physician attestations have been received.
- Nearly 80% percent of all screenings resulted in clinical eligibility for the plan.
- The most common reported diagnoses are behavioral health disorders at 35.84 percent.
- The most common conditions reported through physician attestations included epilepsy (12.71 percent of all diagnoses reported), spastic quadriplegia cerebral palsy (12.33 percent) and human immunodeficiency virus or HIV (10.46 percent).

Additional data compiled may be viewed here.

WHAT: CMS Managed Care Plan Rulemaking Workshop

WHEN: Wednesday, April 20, 2016

9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: Florida Department of Health

4052 Bald Cypress Way, Room 301

Tallahassee, FL 32399

Any member of the public wishing to submit suggestions for the department's consideration in advance of the meeting may send their comments to Kelli Stannard at kelli.stannard@flhealth.gov Public comments will also be taken at the workshop.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Kelli Stannard at 850-245-4222 or kelli.stannard@flhealth.gov If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

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