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Health Care Administrative Rules Update – Filing 13

Policy Summary:

The Agency of Human Services (AHS) has filed adopted rules with the Office of the Secretary of State and the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (LCAR) for the Health Care Administrative Rules (HCAR) listed below. HCAR is the collection of regulations adopted by AHS that govern the administration of Vermont Medicaid.

HCAR 1.101 Health Care Administrative Rules Definitions

- Added a definition for hospital.

HCAR 4.200 Inpatient Hospital Services (formerly Medicaid Covered Services rule 7201)

- Amendment to Medicaid Covered Services rule 7201 Inpatient Services – Medical and Psychiatric.
- Amendments were made to be consistent with HCAR language and formatting.
- Clarifies language about the Vermont Medicaid provider network and prior authorization requirements for elective admissions at certain hospitals.
- Language about services and reimbursement that are described in other administrative rules, the Medicaid State Plan, and/or the Medicaid Provider Manuals was removed.

HCAR 4.201 Outpatient Hospital Services (formerly Medicaid Covered Services rule 7203)

- Amendment to Medicaid Covered Services rule 7203 Outpatient Services.
- Amendments were made to be consistent with HCAR language and formatting.
- References to specific service limitations beyond the scope of this rule were removed.

Effective Date:

September 1, 2023

Authority/Legal Basis:

Adopting and rulemaking 3 V.S.A § 801(b)(11), 33 V.S.A. § 1901(a)(1).

Population Affected: All Medicaid

Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact

Public Comment Period:

The public comment period ended February 15, 2023. One comment was received on HCAR 4.200 and 4.201. The [comment received and the responsiveness summary](#) are available here.

To be added to the GCR email list, send an email to AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov.

Additional Information:

The [HCAR adopted rules](#) can be found at this link and the newly adopted rules listed in this notice will be available on the AHS website on the effective date of September 1, 2023.

The [Medicaid Covered Services Rules](#) that are currently in effect are also available on the AHS website.

More information about the [rulemaking process](#) is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website.