

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control No: 560 Department or Agency: Alabama Medicaid Agency

Rule No: 560-X-23-.10

Rule Title: The CMS 2552 Cost Report
 New Rule; X Amend; Repeal; Adoption by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? NO

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? No

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer: Stephanie A. ...

Date: 9-29-11

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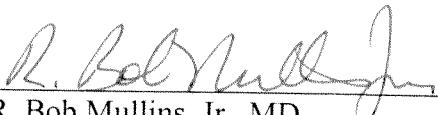
INTENDED ACTION: Amend 560-X-23-.10

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The above-referenced rule is being amended to clarify payment methodology as defined in the State Plan Attachments 4.19-B and 3.1-A. The payment methodology for outpatient hospital will change from an encounter payment methodology to a fee for service payment methodology.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Written or oral comments may be submitted to the Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624, 334-242-5833. Agency business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:
Written/Oral comments concerning this change must be received by the Alabama Medicaid Agency no later than December 5, 2011.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Stephanie McGee Azar,
Administrative Secretary, Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue,
Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624.



R. Bob Mullins, Jr., MD
Commissioner

Rule No. 560-X-23-.10 The CMS 2552-96 Cost Report

(1) The Alabama Medicaid Agency uses the electronic cost report (ECR) filing of the Form CMS-2552-96 Hospital and Hospital Health Care Complex Cost Report, as defined in CMS Provider Reimbursement Manual (PRM) 15-II along with all accompanying schedules, forms and supporting information (hereinafter referred to as "Form CMS 2552-96) for its Medicaid program and all acute care hospitals must submit this report for fiscal years ending in 2011.

(2) All Medicaid data completed. The due date corresponds with the Medicare intermediary.

(3) Any extension or change to report period must be reported to the Medicaid Provider Audit Division in writing.

(4) Late Filing - If a complete uniform cost report is not filed by the due date, the hospital shall be charged a penalty of one hundred dollars per day for each calendar day after the due date.

Author: Keith Boswell, Director, Provider Audit/Reimbursement.

Statutory Authority: State Plan, Title XIX, Social Security Act, 42 C.F.R. Section 401, et seq.

History: Effective June 9, 1986. **Amended:** Emergency Rule filed and effective September 2, 1010. **Amended:** Filed September 20, 2010; effective December 17, 2010. **Amended:** Emergency Rule filed and effective October 1, 2011. Filed September 23, 2011. **Amended:** Filed October 20, 2011; effective January 16, 2012.