The Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends LAC 50:XV.28101 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This Emergency Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953.1, and shall be in effect for the maximum period allowed under the Act or until adoption of the final Rule, whichever occurs first.

Act 199 of the 2022 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature appropriated funds to the Department of Health to increase reimbursement rates for pediatric day health care (PDHC) centers. In compliance with Act 199, the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends the provisions governing reimbursement in the PDHC Program in order to increase daily, hourly, and transportation rates for PDHC centers.

This action is being taken to promote the health and welfare of Medicaid beneficiaries by ensuring continued provider participation in the Medicaid Program. It is anticipated that implementation of this Emergency Rule will increase expenditures in the Medicaid Program by approximately $5,252,932 for state fiscal year 2022-2023.

Effective August 8, 2022, the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends the provisions governing reimbursement for pediatric day health care centers in order to increase reimbursement rates.

Title 50
PUBLIC HEALTH—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
Part XV. Services for Special Populations
Subpart 19. Pediatric Day Health Care Program
Chapter 281. Reimbursement Methodology
§28101. General Provisions
A. - B. ...
C. Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 36:1558 (July 2010), amended LR 39:1286 (May 2013), amended by the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 43:83 (January 2017), LR 48:

Implementation of the provisions of this Rule may be contingent upon the approval of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), if it is determined that submission to CMS for review and approval is required.