

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

The State Board of Education will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2019 at Carrcroft Elementary School (503 Crest Road, Wilmington, DE 19803).

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE QUALITY

PUBLIC NOTICE

3320 Intensive Behavioral Support and Educational Residence

Delaware Health and Social Services ("Department") / Division of Health Care Quality initiated proceedings to amend the Intensive Behavioral Support and Educational Residence (IBSER) regulations. The Department's proceedings to amend its regulations are initiated pursuant to 29 Delaware Code Section 10114 and its authority as prescribed by 31 Delaware Code Section 512.

The Department will publish its notice of proposed regulation changes pursuant to 29 Delaware Code Section 10115 in the April 2019 Delaware *Register of Regulations*. Written comments and suggestions from the public concerning the proposed regulations are to be produced by May 1, 2019, at which time the Department will receive information, factual evidence and public comment to the said proposed changes to the regulations.

Comments can be sent via email to Renee.Purzycki@delaware.gov, or by mail to Renee Purzycki, 3 Mill Road, Suite 308, Wilmington, DE 19806.

DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH

PUBLIC NOTICE

4458A Cottage Food Regulations

Pursuant to 16 **Del.C.** §122(3)(u)(1), Health Systems Protection Section (HSP), Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Social Services, is proposing revisions to the regulations governing Cottage Foods. On April 1, 2019, the Division of Public Health plans to publish as "proposed" revised Cottage Food Regulations. The revisions include the introduction of language related to food allergens, clarification of the period of time for which a permit is valid, and other technical corrections.

Copies of the proposed regulations are available for review in the April 1, 2019 edition of the Delaware *Register of Regulations*, accessible online at: <http://regulations.delaware.gov> or by calling the Division of Public Health at (302) 744-4951.

Any person who wishes to make written suggestions, testimony, briefs or other written materials concerning the proposed regulations must submit them to Alanna Mozeik by Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at:

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Division of Public Health
417 Federal Street
Dover, DE 19901
Email: Alanna.mozeik@delaware.gov
Phone: (302) 744-4951

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

PUBLIC NOTICE

1410 Reporting Medical Management Protocols for Insurance Coverage for Serious Mental Illness and Drug And Alcohol Dependency

Senate Bill No. 230 as amended by Senate Amendment No. 1 (SB 230/SA1) became effective on September 1, 2018. See Del. S.B. 230/Del. S.A. 1, 149th Gen. Assem. § 1 (2018). Carriers are now required to submit a report to the Delaware Health Information Network, Inc., in conjunction with the Delaware Department of Insurance (the Department) on or before July 1, 2019, and "every year thereafter in which the carrier makes significant changes to how it designs and applies its medical management protocols." *Id.*

Section 3 of SB 230/SA1 amended Section 25 of Title 31 to now require identical reporting requirements for coverage for serious mental illness and drug and alcohol dependency for recipients of aid under the Federal Medicaid assistance program, which is administered through Delaware's Department of Health and Social Services.

At Section 4 of SB 230/SA1, the General Assembly charged the Department with adopting regulations regarding the format and submission timing of the reports required under Sections 1 through 3 of SB 230/SA1.

To the extent that the NAIC has adopted a model enforcement mechanism concerning mental health parity reporting which is designed to standardized data requests on this issue, insurers are on notice of the data that they will likely be required to provide during a market conduct examination that includes a review of the carrier's administration of its mental health and substance abuse coverage benefits.

The Department believes that it is important to synchronize the data reporting that is required under SB230/SA1, the data reporting under MHPAEA's implementing regulations and the data reporting that will likely be required under a Market Conduct Examination. Accordingly, the Department is proposing to satisfy the SB230/SA1 requirement for regulations by codifying the NAIC model state market conduct compliance tools for MHPAEA as new 18 **DE Admin. Code** 1410, entitled "Reporting Medical Management Protocols for Insurance Coverage for Serious Mental Illness and Drug and Alcohol Dependency."

The proposed new regulation appears below and may also be viewed at the Department's website at <http://insurance.delaware.gov/information/proposedregs/>. The Department does not intend to hold a public meeting regarding these proposed new regulations.

Any person may file written comments, suggestions, briefs, and compilations of data or other materials concerning the proposed new regulation by email to leslie.ledogar@delaware.gov or by mailing to:

Delaware Department of Insurance
Attn.: Leslie W. Ledogar, Esq., Regulatory Specialist
Docket No. 4042-2019
841 Silver Lake Boulevard
Dover, DE 19904

Any written or emailed submission in response to this notice and relevant to the proposed new regulation must be received by the Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on the 1st day, May, 2019.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
PUBLIC NOTICE

1501 Medicare Supplement Insurance Minimum Standards

Regulation 1501 sets forth the minimum standards for Medicare Supplement Insurance in Delaware. It implements Chapter 34 of Title 18, Medicare Supplement Insurance Minimum Standards.

States that wish to retain regulatory authority over Medicare Supplement products offered for sale in their state must implement any changes to federal laws impacting Medicare Supplement policies. Failure to implement the current laws could result in a state losing regulatory authority over these products; authority to regulate these products would revert back to the Federal Government.

The Insurance Code at 18 **Del.C.** §3403(e) provides in relevant part, "The Commissioner may adopt from time to time, such reasonable regulations as are necessary to conform Medicare supplement policies and certificates to the requirements of federal law and regulations promulgated thereunder" Accordingly, the Department of Insurance has the statutory authority to adopt amendments to Regulation 1501 to comport with any changes to federal laws that impact Medicare Supplement policies.

The Department does not plan to hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments to Regulation 1501. The regulation with proposed amendments appears below and can also be viewed at the Department of Insurance website at <http://insurance.delaware.gov/information/proposedregs/>.

Any person may file written comments, suggestions, briefs, and compilations of data or other materials concerning the proposed amendments to the regulation. Any written submission in response to this notice and relevant to the proposed amendments must be received by the Department of Insurance no later than 4:30 p.m. EST, the 1st day, May, 2019. Any such requests should be directed to:

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841 Silver Lake Blvd.
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