

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF MEDICAID AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
Statutory Authority: 31 Delaware Code, Section 512 (31 **Del.C.** §512)

PROPOSED

PUBLIC NOTICE

Health Home Services

In compliance with the State's Administrative Procedures Act (APA - Title 29, Chapter 101 of the Delaware Code), 42 CFR §447.205, and under the authority of Title 31 of the Delaware Code, Chapter 5, Section 512, Delaware Health and Social Services (DHSS) / Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DMMA) is proposing to amend Title XIX Medicaid State Plan regarding Health Home Services, specifically, *to expand Delaware's Assertive Community Integration Support Team (ACIST) program which supports individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) and intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD).*

Any person who wishes to make written suggestions, compilations of data, testimony, briefs or other written materials concerning the proposed new regulations must submit same to, Planning, Policy and Quality Unit, Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance, 1901 North DuPont Highway, P.O. Box 906, New Castle, Delaware 19720-0906, by email to Nicole.M.Cunningham@state.de.us, or by fax to 302-255-4413 by 4:30 p.m. on October 31, 2018. Please identify in the subject line: Health Home Services.

The action concerning the determination of whether to adopt the proposed regulation will be based upon the results of Department and Division staff analysis and the consideration of the comments and written materials filed by other interested persons.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public that Delaware Health and Social Services (DHSS)/Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DMMA) is proposing to amend Health Home Services.

Statutory Authority

- Section 1902(a) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 447

Background

Delaware's ACIST (Assertive Community Integration Support Team) program supports individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) and intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) or Autism to receive a comprehensive, holistic team-based approach to crisis intervention, intensive case management, behavior analysis, psychiatric supports and monitoring of medical conditions in a multi-disciplinary model. The ACIST Health Home program is designed to provide a whole-person approach to supports and services to individuals with dual diagnosis and to ensure strong integration across behavioral health, somatic health and long-term supports and services. The ACIST program is tailored to individuals with chronic conditions of SPMI and I/DD who may require additional and/or different services or modalities to ensure effective intervention. The goals of the ACIST Health Home are:

- a) To lessen or eliminate critical health and safety issues that each member might experience, working toward preventing or mitigating these signs, symptoms, and/or social issues that could lead to crisis situations and the need for hospitalization or re-hospitalization
- b) To provide transitional support and post psychiatric hospitalization follow along that will assist the individual in ameliorating the effects of their mental health condition and dual diagnosis and prevent avoidable readmissions
- c) To improve the overall medical and physical health of the individual
- d) To meet basic human needs and enhance quality of life
- e) To improve the person's opportunity to be successful in social and employment roles and activities
- f) To increase active participation in the person's community
- g) To partner with families, support systems and/or significant other in supporting the individual's recovery

Summary of Proposal

Purpose

The purpose of this proposed regulation is to expand Delaware's Assertive Community Integration Support Team (ACIST) program which supports individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) and intellectual and

developmental disabilities (I/DD).

Summary of Proposed Changes

Effective for services provided on and after October 1, 2018 Delaware Health and Social Services/Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DHSS/DMMA) proposes to amend section 3.1-H and 4.19 B Page 28 of Title XIX Medicaid State Plan regarding Health Home Services.

Public Notice

In accordance with the *federal* public notice requirements established at Section 1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 447.205 and the state public notice requirements of Title 29, Chapter 101 of the Delaware Code, Delaware Health and Social Services (DHSS)/Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DMMA) gives public notice and provides an open comment period for thirty (30) days to allow all stakeholders an opportunity to provide input on the proposed regulation. Comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. on October 31, 2018.

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Review and Approval

The provisions of this state plan amendment (SPA) are subject to approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The draft SPA page(s) may undergo further revisions before and after submittal to CMS based upon public comment and/or CMS feedback. The final version may be subject to significant change.

Provider Manuals and Communications Update

Also, there may be additional provider manuals that may require updates as a result of these changes. The applicable Delaware Medical Assistance Program (DMAP) Provider Policy Specific Manuals and/or Delaware Medical Assistance Portal will be updated. Manual updates, revised pages or additions to the provider manual are issued, as required, for new policy, policy clarification, and/or revisions to the DMAP program. Provider billing guidelines or instructions to incorporate any new requirement may also be issued. A newsletter system is utilized to distribute new or revised manual material and to provide any other pertinent information regarding DMAP updates. DMAP updates are available on the Delaware Medical Assistance Portal website: <https://medicaid.dhss.delaware.gov/provider>

Fiscal Impact

The following fiscal impact is projected:

	State Fiscal Year 2019	State Fiscal Year 2020
General (State) funds	\$36,338	\$48,450
Federal funds	\$327,038	\$436,050

***Please Note: Due to the size of the proposed regulation, it is not being published here. A copy of the regulation is available at:**

<http://regulations.delaware.gov/register/october2018/proposed/Health Home Services.pdf>
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