

LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF OHIO
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID

Pursuant to section 1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act, the Director of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (“department”) gives final notice of the department's actions to modify provisions relating to the reimbursement of hospitals. The department amended the provisions of Ohio's Disproportionate Share Hospital Program (DSH) payment methodology for Institutes for Mental Diseases (IMD).

An initial notice was issued on September 21, 2023 to inform the public of the Department's intent to modify the provisions relating to Ohio's DSH payment methodology for IMDs. This final notice reflects the result of the public and legislative processes.

The department has updated the requirements for IMD hospitals to qualify for IMD-DSH funding. Psychiatric hospitals now qualify for IMD-DSH funding if they have both a Medicaid inpatient utilization rate greater than or equal to one percent and uncompensated care costs of at least sixty percent of total facility costs, and they meet the obstetric services requirements in section 1923(d) of the Social Security Act. This change is to ensure the department recognizes the evolving uncompensated care and payer-mix trends for these hospitals.

If, as an interested party, you need further information regarding the rates for a specific hospital under these methodologies, you may email a request to the Hospital Section of the Bureau of Policy and Health Plan Services at: hospital_policy@medicaid.ohio.gov.

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