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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.118G and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, as amended, a public hearing will be held on **Wednesday September 12, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.** at the Division of Health Care Finance and Policy, Two Boylston Street, 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Boston, MA relative to the adoption of:

**114.3 CMR 15.00: Vision Care Services and Ophthalmic Materials**

The proposed amendments increase the rates for Vision Care Services and Ophthalmic Materials by a 0.83% cost adjustment factor (CAF) effective October 1, 2012 and increase the October 1, 2012 rates by a 1.31% CAF effective October 1, 2013. In addition, payment for certain services (CPT codes 92132, 92133, 92134, 92227 and 92228) are deleted from the regulation as payment for these services is now governed by 114.3 CMR 17.00: Medicine. The amendments also make other editorial changes including deletion of obsolete language to improve the readability of the regulation.

The Division is proposing these amendments to ensure that payment rates are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care. It is anticipated that aggregate annual expenditures by MassHealth will increase by a total of approximately \$82,438 in the first year and \$127,305 in the second year as a result of these amendments. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.

Individuals that notify the Division of their intent to testify at the hearing will be afforded an earlier opportunity to speak. Speakers may notify the Division of their intention to testify at the hearing by registering online at [www.mass.gov/dhcfp/regulations](http://www.mass.gov/dhcfp/regulations).

Individuals may also submit written testimony by emailing [HCF-Regulations@state.ma.us](mailto:HCF-Regulations@state.ma.us). Please submit electronic testimony as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name and address.

Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by email should mail written testimony to the Division of Health Care Finance and Policy, Two Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116-4704. Written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 24, 2012. Copies of the regulation are available for inspection and/or purchase at the Division of Health Care Finance and Policy or viewed at the Division's website at [www.mass.gov/dhcfp/regulations](http://www.mass.gov/dhcfp/regulations).