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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, three public hearings will be held on Friday, October 28, 2016, in the First Floor Conference Room, 100 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA, each at the respective time relative to the adoption of:

- 1) 10:00 a.m.: 101 CMR 424.00: Rates for Certain Developmental and Support Services**
Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 118E, section 13D, EOHHS is required to establish and biennially update the rates to be paid by governmental units for social service programs. In accordance with this statutory requirement, the proposed amendments update the rates to be paid by governmental units for Certain Developmental and Support Services. The proposed amendments establish rates for a new service, Clinical Team, a social service program supported by the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). This proposed regulation is planned to go into effect no sooner than January 1, 2017. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.
- 2) 11:00 a.m.: 101 CMR 428.00: Rates for Certain Independent Living Communities and Services**
Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 118E, section 13D, EOHHS is required to establish and biennially update the rates to be paid by governmental units for social service programs. In accordance with this statutory requirement, the proposed regulation establishes the rates to be paid by governmental units for Certain Independent Living Communities and Services. Social service programs with rates to be established by this regulation include the following: 1) Vocational Rehabilitation Independent Living Services, purchased by the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC); 2) Independent living Services purchased by the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (MCDHH); and 3) Recovery Learning Communities purchased by the Department of Mental Health (DMH). This proposed regulation is planned to go into effect no sooner than July 1, 2017. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.
- 3) 12:00 p.m.: 101 CMR 429.00: Rates for Certain Sexual and Domestic Violence Services.**
Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 118E, section 13D, EOHHS is required to establish and biennially update the rates to be paid by governmental units for social service programs. In accordance with this statutory requirement, the proposed regulation establishes the rates to be paid by governmental units for Certain Sexual and Domestic Violence Services. Social service programs with rates to be established by this regulation include the following: 1) Domestic Violence Community-Based Services; 2) Child Witness to Violence Services; 3) Supervised Visitation Services; 4) Sexual and Domestic Violence Equity and Legal Services; 5) Rape Crisis Center Services; and 6) Intimate Partner Abuse Education



Services. All of these programs are purchased by the Department of Public Health (DPH). This proposed regulation is planned to go into effect no sooner than July 1, 2017. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.

Individuals who notify EOHHS of their intent to testify at the hearing will be afforded an earlier opportunity to speak. Speakers may notify EOHHS of their intention to testify at the hearing by registering online at www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/hhs/public-hearings.html. Individuals may also submit written testimony by e-mailing ehs-regulations@state.ma.us. Please submit electronic testimony as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the e-mail with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by e-mail should mail written testimony to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. Written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on November 4, 2016.

All persons desiring to review the current draft of the proposed actions may go to www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/hhs/public-hearings.html or request a copy in writing or in person from MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. To view or download related supporting materials, go to www.mass.gov/eohhs/provider/contracting/chap257/proposed-regs-materials.html.

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EOHHS may adopt a revised version of the proposed actions taking into account relevant comments and any other practical alternatives that come to its attention.

October 7, 2016