

MARYLAND REGISTER

Proposed Action on Regulations

Transmittal Sheet PROPOSED OR REPROPOSED Actions on Regulations	Date Filed with AELR Committee	TO BE COMPLETED BY DSD
	02/11/2014	Date Filed with Division of State Documents
		Document Number
		Date of Publication in MD Register

1. Desired date of publication in Maryland Register: 3/7/2014

2. COMAR Codification

Title Subtitle Chapter Regulation

10 37 10 26-1

3. Name of Promulgating Authority

Health Services Cost Review Commission

4. Name of Regulations Coordinator Telephone Number
Diana M Kemp 410-764-2576

Mailing Address

4160 Patterson Avenue

City State Zip Code
Baltimore MD 21215

Email
dkemp@hscrc.state.md.us

5. Name of Person to Call About this Document Telephone No.
Diana Kemp 410-764-2576

Email Address
diana.kemp@maryland.gov

6. Check applicable items:
 New Regulations

Title
Chairman
Date
February 5, 2014

Telephone No.
410-764-2605

Title 10
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE
Subtitle 37 HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION

10.37.10 Rate Application and Approval Procedures

Authority: Health-General Article, Sections 19-207 and 19-214; Insurance Article, Sections 14-502 and 14-504; State Government Article Section 10-304(b); Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action

[]

The Health Services Cost Review Commission proposes to amend Regulation .26-1 under COMAR 10.37.10 Rate Application and Approval Procedures. This Regulation was considered for promulgation by the Commission at a previously announced open meeting held on February 5, 2014, notice of which was given pursuant to State Government Article, Section 10-506(c), Annotated Code of Maryland. If adopted the proposed amendments will become effective on or about June 23, 2014.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this action is to establish a variable amount of up to 1% in lieu of the fixed 1% assessed on hospitals to operate and administer the MHIP Plan.

Comparison to Federal Standards

There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact

I. Summary of Economic Impact.

The proposed action establishes a variable amount of up to 1% in lieu of the fixed amount of 1% assessed on hospitals to operate and administer the MHIP Plan.

II. Types of Economic Impact.

Revenue (R+/R-)	
Expenditure (E+/E-)	Magnitude

A. On issuing agency:	NONE	
B. On other State agencies:	NONE	
(1) On other state agencies	(R-)	Minimal
C. On local governments:	NONE	

Benefit (+)	Magnitude
Cost (-)	

D. On regulated industries or trade groups:	NONE
E. On other industries or trade groups:	NONE
F. Direct and indirect effects on public:	NONE

III. Assumptions. (Identified by Impact Letter and Number from Section II.)

B(1). If the assessment is reduced to less than 1% the result will be a reduction in revenue to the MHIP Plan.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses

The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities

The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Comments may be sent to Diana Kemp, Regulations Coordinator, Health Services Cost Review Commission, 4160 Patterson Avenue, or call 410-764-2576, or email to diana.kemp@maryland.gov, or fax to 410-358-6217. Comments will be accepted through April 7, 2014. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

Economic Impact Statement Part C

A. Fiscal Year in which regulations will become effective: FY 2014

B. Does the budget for the fiscal year in which regulations become effective contain funds to implement the regulations?

Yes

C. If 'yes', state whether general, special (exact name), or federal funds will be used:

Hospital Assessments

D. If 'no', identify the source(s) of funds necessary for implementation of these regulations:

E. If these regulations have no economic impact under Part A, indicate reason briefly:

F. If these regulations have minimal or no economic impact on small businesses under Part B, indicate the reason and attach small business worksheet.

G. Small Business Worksheet:

Attached Document:

Title 10 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

Subtitle 37 HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION

10.37.10 Rate Application and Approval Procedures

Authority: Health-General Article, §§19-207 and 19-214; Insurance Article, §§14-502 and 14-504; State Government Article §10-304(b); Annotated Code of Maryland

.26-1 Maryland Health Insurance Plan (MHIP) Assessment.

- A. (text unchanged)
- B. [Beginning July 1, 2008, the] *The* Commission shall assess each hospital *up to* 1 percent of its net patient revenue to operate and administer the MHIP.
- C.—D. (text unchanged)

JOHN M. COLMERS
Chairman
Health Services Cost Review Commission