

## STATE OF WASHINGTON WASHINGTON STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

June 21, 2016

## NOTICE

Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 16-0024

Effective Date: August 1, 2016

**Description**: The Health Care Authority (the agency) in conjunction with the Aging and Long Term Services Administration (ALTSA) within the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) intend to submit Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 16-0024 regarding Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities (ICF/IID).

Facilities must meet the conditions of participation described in Title 42 CFR 442 in order to be certified as an ICF/IID. ICFs/IID that do not meet the applicable conditions of participation are subject to termination or non-renewal of their provider contract. Under 42 CFR 442.118, the state Medicaid agency may deny payment for new admissions as an alternate remedy.

SPA 16-0022 will establish alternative sanctions for ICF/IID that have deficiencies in meeting the applicable conditions of participation, but those deficiencies do not pose immediate jeopardy to residents' health and safety. The alternative will sanctions include:

- 1. Directed plan of correction
- 2. Directed in-service training
- 3. State monitoring

SPA 16-0022 is anticipated to have no effect on annual aggregate expenditures; the alternative sanctions do not include financial penalties.

The SPA is in the development process; therefore a copy is not yet available for review. To contact DSHS for additional information and a copy of the SPA when it becomes available, please contact:

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