

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT RULES

A public hearing will be held on Monday, May 12, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in Pierre, SD, at the Department of Social Services Office, Conference Room 2, Kneip Building, 700 Governor's Drive, Pierre, SD 57501, to consider the adoption and amendment of the following proposed rules:

Amendment of sections §§ 46:11:13:01 to 19 inclusive; 46:20:34:03; and 46:20:34:05.

The effect of these changes will be to: update rules relating to Preadmission Screening and Resident Reviews including updating criteria for exemptions from reviews, updating the explanation of the review process and requirements, clarifying the determination and notification process for needed services, updating the appeal process, updating the length of stay requirements, updating the admission and facility transfer process, clarifying residency requirements, and updating terminology.

Persons interested in presenting data, statements, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the Department of Human Services, Hillsvue Plaza, E. Highway 34, c/o 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-5070. C/o Eve Smith, Administrative Rules Coordinator, or to Department of Social Services Office, Kneip Building, 700 Governor's Drive, Pierre, SD 57501, C/o Teresa Schulte. **Material sent by mail must reach the Department of Human Services or Social Services by 5 p.m. on May 22, 2014, to be considered.**

For purposes of assisting the Departments to fully understand the issues being addressed, individuals intending to present oral testimony at the hearing are asked to make a written copy of their testimony available at the time of the hearing. Written comments and testimony must relate directly to the changes being proposed and must cite the specific rule number to which the comments are being directed.

After the hearing, the Department of Human Services will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Department may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the above-mentioned office within 48 hours of the public hearing if you have special needs for which this agency will need to make arrangements. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-5990 or (605) 773-6412 TTY.

The Department of Human Services, upon its own motion or at the instance of any interested persons, may thereafter adopt the above proposals substantially as set forth above without further notice.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from:

Department of Human Services
Hillsvue Plaza, East Highway 34
C/o 500 East Capitol
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

Or downloaded from the SD Administrative Rules Website: <http://rules.sd.gov>.

Or email eve.smith@state.sd.us for a copy.