

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

A public hearing will be held in the Department of Social Services Building, Prairie Conference Room, 811 East 10th Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57103, on Friday, October 7, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Central Time, 9:00 a.m. Mountain Time, to consider the adoption and amendment of proposed Department of Social Services' Economic Assistance Administrative Rules of South Dakota numbered

§§ 67:46:15:01 to 67:46:15:09, inclusive.

The effect of the rule changes will be to update the length of coverage for the Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA) program from eight months to twelve months for eligible refugees with entry dates on or after October 1, 2021, and to update the law implemented throughout the Chapter.

The reason for adopting the proposed rules is the length of coverage mandated by the Director of the Office of Refugee Resettlement changed on March 28, 2022. The RMA program is entirely federally funded and there will be no general fund impact. The law implemented is also being updated throughout the Chapter as the appropriate authority section has changed.

Persons interested in presenting amendments, data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may:

- 1) Appear in-person at the hearing;
- 2) May attend telephonically by calling 1-866-705-2554 and using conference code 774432#;
- 3) Can mail them to Teresa Schulte, Administrative Rules, Department of Social Services, 811 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57103; or
- 4) Can email them to [DSSAdminRules@state.sd.us](mailto:DSSAdminRules@state.sd.us).

The deadline to submit any such written comments for consideration by DSS is ten days after the date of the public hearing, October 17, 2022.

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

For Persons with Disabilities: This hearing will be located at a physically accessible place. Please contact Department of Social Services at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements can be made by calling (605)-367-5444 ext. 1000309.

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

Teresa Schulte	and/or	<a href="http://rules.sd.gov">http://rules.sd.gov</a>
Administrative Rules	and/or	emailing a request to: <a href="mailto:DSSAdminRules@state.sd.us">DSSAdminRules@state.sd.us</a>
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