

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Department of Health Care Finance**



Office of the Senior Deputy Director/Medicaid Director

**Transmittal 21-38**

**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Melisa Byrd  
Senior Deputy Director and State Medicaid Director

**DATE:** September 29, 2021

**SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Submit State Plan Amendment on FY 2022  
Physician Supplemental Payments**

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The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) hereby gives notice of the intent to submit an amendment to the District of Columbia State Plan for Medical Assistance (State Plan) to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for review and approval.

Annually, DHCF submits a State Plan amendment to CMS to permit DHCF to establish periodic supplemental payments for one fiscal year to Medicaid-enrolled physician groups, with at least five hundred (500) physicians that are members of the group, that contract with a public general hospital located in an economically underserved area of the District to deliver inpatient, emergency department, and intensive care physician services to Medicaid beneficiaries. Accordingly, DHCF plans to submit an amendment to the State Plan providing that for services rendered on or after September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, supplemental payments in the amount of four million and five hundred thousand dollars (\$4,500,000.00) shall be equally distributed among physician groups. Consistent with physician supplemental payments distributed for services rendered between January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, supplemental payments shall not exceed four and a half (\$4.5) million dollars and shall be made no later than June 30, 2022.

This notice informs all interested parties of DHCF's intent to submit this amendment to the State Plan to CMS on or about October 1, 2021. The change will have an effective date of October 1,

2021 and the District expects no significant financial increase from continuing to provide these supplemental payments. The federal budget impact for Federal Fiscal Year 2022 is \$4,500,000.

If you have any questions, please contact Mario Ramsey, Associate Director, Health Care Research and Policy Administration, Department of Health Care Finance at [mario.ramsey@dc.gov](mailto:mario.ramsey@dc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Melisa Byrd".

Melisa Byrd,

Senior Deputy Director/Medicaid Director

cc: DC Medical Care Advisory Committee Stakeholders