

**Public Notice
State Plan Amendment (SPA) IA-26-0012
Ambulatory Surgical Center Fee Schedule Changes**

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The Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), in accordance with the requirements outlined in 42 C.F.R. §447.205, hereby announces a proposed action to modify the reimbursement rates for ambulatory surgical centers providing services under the State Plan for the Medicaid program, authorized by Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

Summary of Submission:

Pursuant to the authority of 2026 Iowa Acts, House File (HF) 2782, Section 15, ambulatory surgical center rates shall be increased, effective starting October 1, 2026. The fee schedule increase will be 56.22% compared to the rate in effect on June 30, 2026.

Estimated Fiscal Impact

The projected change in Medicaid fee-for-service (FFS) expenditures for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2027, attributed to the Medicaid reimbursement rate adjustment, is as follows:

Total Dollars: \$ 42,304

Federal Dollars: \$ 30,259

State Dollars: \$ 12,045

Public Review and Comments

A copy of SPA-IA-26-0012 and the public notice is posted on the HHS website at the following link: <https://hhs.iowa.gov/public-notice/2026-08-21/spa-ia-26-0012>.

To ensure all stakeholders are reached, non-electronic copies will also be made available for review at each local HHS office.

Submission of Comments

Written comments may be addressed to the Quality/Innovation and Medical Policy Bureau, Department of Health and Human Services, Iowa Medicaid, 321 East 12th St., Des Moines, IA 50319-0114. Comments may also be sent via electronic mail to QIMP_Public_Comment@hhs.iowa.gov through September 20, 2026, by 4:30 p.m. Please include "SPA IA-26-0012" in the subject line of the email.

All written and emailed comments must be received no later than September 20, 2026, by 4:30 p.m.

**Submitted by:
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