AB 1020 Hospital Fair Billing Program

NOTICE OF MODIFICATIONS TO TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATION

The Department of Health Care Access and Information's Hospital Fair Billing Program is providing a notice of modifications to text of proposed regulation regarding Assembly Bill 1020 (Chapter 473, Statutes of 2021) (AB 1020). The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the originally proposed amendments was published in the Office of Administrative Law's California Notice Register on June 16, 2023 (See Register 2023, No. Z202-0602-02). The 45-day comment period for the amendments began on Friday, June 16, 2023. The last day to submit public comment was August 1, 2023.

Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code section 11346.8(c) and section 44 of Title 1 of the California Code of Regulations, the Hospital Fair Billing Program hereby provides notice of the changes made to the proposed regulation. The text of the revised regulation for the second comment period is attached to this Notice. The revisions are substantially related to the original proposed text and are being made available for public review and comment for a period of at least 15 days prior to adoption. All revisions are shown with a <u>double underline</u> for new language and a double strikethrough for deleted language.

Written Comment Period

The Hospital Fair Billing Program will accept written comments regarding the proposed changes from August 18, 2023, through September 5, 2023.

Please address your comments to:

Department of Health Care Access and Information Attention: Nancy King Hospital Fair Billing Program 2020 West El Camino Avenue Suite 1101 Sacramento, CA 95833

Written comments may also be emailed to <u>HFBP@HCAI.CA.GOV</u> or <u>NANCY.KING@HCAI.CA.GOV</u>

All written comments received by September 5, 2023, which pertain to the indicated changes, will be reviewed by the Hospital Fair Billing Program and will be summarized and responded to in the Final Statement of Reasons. Please limit your comments to the modifications to the text.

The proposed regulations are expected to be implemented in January 2024. Please see the <u>Notice of Proposed Rulemaking</u>. Additional rulemaking documents are linked below. For more information, visit the <u>Hospital Fair Billing Program (HFBP) page.</u>

Revised Text of the Proposed Regulation for the Second Comment Period