



Department of Health Care Policy and Financing

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Medicaid Estate Recovery Limitation

Before March 31, 2014 the Department intends to submit a State Plan Amendment that will limit the scope of the state estate recovery program. The federal Social Security Act requires recovery of claims against a deceased Medicaid beneficiary's estate for individuals who receive nursing facility services or home and community-based services. The Social Security Act also provides states the option to recover on all claims for individuals age 55 and over, even if they do not receive long term services and supports.

The State is requesting authority from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to no longer pursue estate recoveries for non-long term services and supports for individuals age 55 and over. The State Plan Amendment will request a retroactive effective date of January 1, 2014. The Department has made a policy decision to discontinue this optional component of its estate recovery program out of concern that it might create a potential barrier for adults seeking to enroll in Medicaid.

General Information

A link to this notice will be posted on the Department's web site (www.colorado.gov/hcpf) starting on March 10, 2014. Written comments may be addressed to: Director, Medical and CHP+ Program Administration Office, Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203.

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