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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control: 560

Department or Agency: Alabama Medicaid Agency

Rule No.: 560-X-11-.05

Rule Title: Providers Of Screening Services

Intended Action: Amend

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety?	No
Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare?	Yes
Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public?	No
Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved?	No

To what degree?: N/A

Is the increase in cost more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule?	No
Are all facets of the rule-making process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public?	Yes
Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule?	No

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer: Timothy "Bo" A. Offord, Jr.

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Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2026

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ALABAMA MEDICAID AGENCY

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Medicaid Agency

RULE NO. & TITLE: 560-X-11-.05 Providers Of Screening Services

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:
The above referenced rule is being amended to add physician assistants (PAs) as a recognized provider type authorized to perform EPSDT screenings.

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:
Written or oral comments may be submitted to the Alabama Medicaid Agency, 501 Dexter Avenue, Post Office Box 5624, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624. Agency business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:
Friday, March 6, 2026

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:
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(Signature of officer authorized
to promulgate and adopt
rules or his or her deputy)

560-X-11-.05 Providers Of Screening Services.

(1) In-state and borderline out-of-state (within 30-mile radius of state line) health care agencies and physicians wishing to participate in the EPSDT Program may request enrollment information from the Alabama Medicaid Agency. Exception: The Fiscal Agent will be responsible for enrolling any Title XVIII (Medicare) providers that wish to enroll as a QMB-only provider.

(2) All providers of screening services must enter into an agreement with Alabama Medicaid Agency to participate in the EPSDT Program as a screening provider. Exception: QMB-only providers. Each off-site location will require a separate application, a separate contract, and will be assigned a provider number distinct from any other the provider may have with Medicaid.

(3) All health care agencies enrolled shall be under the direction of a duly-1icensed physician, a currently licensed registered nurse, certified registered nurse practitioner, or a ~~certified nurse practitioner~~physician assistant who shall be responsible for assuring that requirements of participation are met and that the procedures established by the Medicaid program are carried out.

(4) Screening programs conducted under the direction of a registered nurse or certified nurse practitioner must have a licensed physician acting as medical consultant.

(5) EPSDT services may be offered by School-Based screening providers.

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Statutory Authority: Title XIX, Social Security Act; State Plan; 42 C.F.R. Section 400.203, Section 441.56. Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act of 1988 (Public Law 100-360). OBRA '89-Section 6403.

History: Rule effective October 1, 1982. **Amended:** Effective May 9, 1984; July 9, 1984. **Emergency rule** effective December 1, 1986. **Amended:** Effective March 12, 1987; July 13, 1989. **Emergency rule** effective October 1, 1990. **Amended:** Effective February 13, 1991, Filed April 5, 1995, effective May 11, 1995. **Amended:** Filed November 6, 1996; effective December 12, 1996. **Amended:** Filed April 5, 1999; effective May 10, 1999. **Amended:** Published _____; effective _____.