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## PHARMACIST REIMBURSEMENT WORKGROUP VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE AND AGENDA

August 24, 2022 Time: 3:00 – 4:00

**Zoom Webinar video conference:** 

ZoomGov link: https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1618419245

Dial-in: (669) 254-5252 Webinar ID: 161 841 9245

(Registration and Access Information Below)

Chapter 372 of the Acts of 2022 requires the Commissioner to establish a workgroup to identify options and requirements necessary for the reimbursement of pharmacists who provide medical services within their scope of practice and work setting, and to report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on the Commissioner's findings and recommendations on or before December 31, 2022.

A workgroup has been formed. The third meeting of the working group will be held on August 24, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. This is a change in date and time from the prior announcement. The topics will be credentialing of pharmacists as medical care practitioners and coding and claims filing by pharmacists providing medical services within their scope of practice.

Two meetings have been held. The first meeting was to gather information about the barriers to reimbursement. At the second meeting, the workgroup discussed the definition of "health care provider" and practice settings that have particular billing challenges.

The Commissioner hereby invites oral and written comments from interested stakeholders on the definition of "health care provider' and its effect on reimbursement policies and practice settings for pharmacists, and the challenges for specific practice settings.

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Opening remarks.
- 2. Comments by registered speakers concerning the credentialing of pharmacists as health care practitioners.
- 3. Comments by registered speakers concerning coding and claim filing by pharmacists providing medical services within their scope of practice.
- 3. Comments by unregistered participants.

If you would like to present or offer public comments *during* the virtual public hearing, please notify the MIA in advance of the meeting by submitting your request to <a href="mailto:pharmacist.mia@maryland.gov">pharmacist.mia@maryland.gov</a>. Because of the nature of the Zoom Events platform, a special invitation is required to be seen and/or be heard via the platform. For that reason, the MIA can only assure the opportunity to speak during the virtual public hearing to those interested parties who have signed up by Monday, August 1, at 5:00 p.m. Interested parties who have signed up by Friday, August 19, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. and provided an email address to which an invitational link to the virtual meeting can be sent.

To the extent that time and technology permit, the MIA will hear from unregistered participants who access the Zoom Event platform.