

Notice of Public Hearing

Pursuant to Section 22215 of Public Act 306 of 1969, as amended, the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) will hold a hearing on Certificate of Need (CON) Review Standards.

Date: Tuesday, April 26, 2011

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Capitol View Building
201 Townsend Street, 1st floor
MDCH Conference Center Room B
Lansing, MI 48913



COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (CT) SERVICES

The proposed CON Review Standards for CT Services are being reviewed and modified to include the following:

1. Section 1: Modified the language consistent with recent changes in other CON review standards.
2. Section 2(1)(p): Added a definition for “excess CT equivalents.”
3. Section 2(1)(v): Added a definition for “health service area” or “HSA.”
4. Section 4(3): Removed minimum volume requirements for HSA 8 to encourage dental CT scanner service in the Upper Peninsula.
5. Section 7(1)(d): Added a one-time exemption of having to meet the volume requirements for replacing an obsolete CT scanner.
6. Sections 13(3): Modified pilot language for hospital-based portable CT scanners. In addition to level I and level II trauma facilities, eligibility would be extended to those facilities that performed >100 craniotomies in the most recent 12-month period verifiable by the Department.
7. Section 13(7): Renewed the pilot project until December 31, 2013 to obtain sufficient data to fully evaluate the use of these scanners. Applications must be received on or before December 1, 2013, all provisions will expire on December 31, 2016, and be of no further force and effect unless the Commission makes them a permanent part of the CT scanner services standards.
8. Section 19(5): Added language that allows portable CT scanners to be used in adult or pediatric intensive care units (ICU) by qualifying pilot program institutions and must be limited to brain scanning of those patients who are being treated in an ICU. Also, added specific reporting requirements for those approved under the pilot language for hospital-based portable CT scanners: 1) number of adult studies (age \geq 18), 2) number of pediatric studies (age $<$ 18), 3) number of studies performed using a portable CT on the same patient while that patient is in an ICU, and 4) number of patients scanned on a portable CT that underwent subsequent scanning on a fixed CT within 12 hours of the portable CT scan.
9. Section 22(4): Added language that only excess CT equivalents may be used for projections when initiating CT services.
10. Section 24: Added HSAs to the standards.
11. Other technical changes.



Oral or written comments may be presented in person at the hearing on Tuesday, April 26, 2011, or submitted in writing via online submission at www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,1607,7-132-2945_5106_5409_29279-196938--,00.html, no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 3, 2011. If your comment is in written form, please provide a copy to the court reporter at the conclusion of your testimony. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tania Rodriguez at 517-335-6708.

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