

Notice of Submittal of Proposed Rule to Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse

On April 11, 2019, the Office of the Commissioner of Insurance submitted a proposed rule to the Wisconsin Legislative Council Clearinghouse pursuant to s. 227.15 (1), Wis. Stats.

Analysis:

The proposed permanent rule primarily amends ss. Ins 3.39 and 3.55 to make conforming changes to the Medicare supplement model regulation by incorporating changes to implement the federal Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA), P.L. 114-10. In the proposed rule, OCI adopts a parallel citation approach for ease of navigation. The remainder of the proposed rule updates terminology, creates consistency in numbering, amends cross references, and updates and simplifies the appendices to the rule. OCI cannot repeal current provisions in s. Ins 3.39, as Medicare supplemental products are guaranteed renewable for life and benefits are tied to the date individuals are first eligible for Medicare. The proposed rule will not adversely impact consumers, agents or insurers as the premium previously charged consumers closely approximated the actual deductible.

Statement of Scope:

The scope statement for this rule, SS 084-18 was approved by the Governor on July 19, 2018, published in Register No. 751B, on July 31, 2018, and approved by Commissioner on August 28, 2018.

Agency Procedure for Promulgation:

A public hearing is required and will be held on May 10, 2019, at 10:00 am for the permanent rule hearing.

Agency Organizational Unit Primarily Responsible for Promulgating Rule:

Office of the Commissioner of Insurance.

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