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MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Persons and Providers

FROM: Janet Mann, State Medicaid Director  
Arkansas Department of Human Services 

DATE: April 6, 2023

SUBJ: Federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Ending

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Attached for your review and comment is a notice regarding the end of the Federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

Public comments must be submitted in writing at the above address or at the following email address: [ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov](mailto:ORP@dhs.arkansas.gov) Please note that public comments submitted in response to this notice are considered public documents. A public comment, including the commenter's name and any personal information contained within the public comment, will be made publicly available and may be seen by various people.

If you have any comments, please submit those comments in writing, no later than May 8, 2023 .

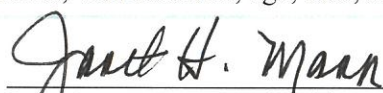
All DHS proposed rules, public notices, and recently finalized rules may also be viewed at: [Proposed Rules & Public Notices](#).

## NOTICE

The Department of Human Services (DHS) announces upcoming changes in the Arkansas Medicaid program related to the federal COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) ending May 11, 2023. DHS received federal approval during the PHE to implement certain flexibilities to better serve the citizens of Arkansas. Some of those flexibilities will expire with the end of the PHE. Arkansas Medicaid intends to continue some flexibilities beyond May 11, 2023, as approved by the federal government. A comprehensive listing of flexibilities and their details, anticipated end dates, and any updates occurring after publication of this notice can be found at <http://humanservices.arkansas.gov/u/pheunwindingnotices>.

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