Public Forum set for input on Medicaid's Plan First 1115 Demonstration Waiver

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Providers, recipients and other interested individuals will have the opportunity to provide input on the Alabama Medicaid Agency's Plan First program during a July public forum in Montgomery.

Comments will be taken during an open forum on Thursday, July 21, at 10:30 a.m., in the Agency's 4th Floor Board Room at 501 Dexter Avenue.

The annual forum is a requirement by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for the 1115 Demonstration Waiver under which the Plan First program operates. The waiver was originally approved in 2000 and was renewed by CMS on December 29, 2014.

The goal of the Plan First program is to reduce unintended pregnancies and improve the well-being of Alabama's children and families by extending Medicaid eligibility for family planning services to eligible women and men. In FY 2014, a total of 70,958 recipients received Plan First program services.

A copy of the renewal application and other information about Plan First may be found on the Medicaid website <u>Plan First</u> program page.