

February 12, 2019 HBR Alert

North Carolina State Health Plan Administrative Rules Proposed for Adoption February 12, 2019

Please note that a previous version had the incorrect time for the Board of Trustees meeting. The correct meeting time is 10:00 a.m. Feb. 25.

This purpose of this HBR Alert is to give notice that the State Health Plan intends to adopt administrative rules, which have previously been set by informal policies. These rules are necessary for the State Health Plan to administer and carry out its fiduciary responsibilities to provide comprehensive health benefits under Article 3B of Chapter 135 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

The following existing policies are proposed to be adopted as rules:

- SHP-POL-3004-SHP, Enrollment Exceptions and Appeals Policy and Procedure is proposed to be adopted as <u>SHP-RULE-3004</u>, <u>Rule on Enrollment Exceptions and Appeals</u>.
- SHP-POL-3009-SHP, Policy on Member Terminations and Reinstatements is proposed to be adopted as <u>SHP-RULE-3009</u>, <u>Rule on Member Terminations</u> and <u>Reinstatements</u>.
- SHP-POL-3005-MUL, Policy and Procedure on Arrears is proposed to be adopted as SHP-RULE-3005-MUL, Rule on Arrears.

The following new rule is proposed for adoption:

• SHP-RULE-3011-MUL, SHP Rule on Retiree Health Benefit Enrollment and Premium Payments.

The State Health Plan will accept public comments on these proposed rules beginning on Tuesday, February 12, 2019, through Thursday, March 14, 2019. Written comments may be emailed to shprulefeedback@nctreasurer.com. Please indicate which rule your

comment addresses. Additionally, if your comment addresses specific language, consider suggesting alternative language for the Plan's consideration.

The State Health Plan will accept oral public comments at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State Health Plan. Comments from the public will be permitted to be made during the public comment period of the meeting. Please note, each person's time to comment may be limited at the discretion of the State Health Plan Board of Trustees Chairman.

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Date: February 25, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Dogwood Conference Room, 3200 Atlantic Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27604

At the conclusion of the comment period, the Plan will review and consider all feedback received. If the Plan makes substantial changes to the rule language currently proposed, then the Plan will repost notice and solicit additional public comments. If no substantial changes are made, then the proposed effective date of these rules is March 15, 2019.

These proposed rules, along with other policies and procedures are located on the Plan's website.

The State Health Plan is authorized to adopt rules in accordance with the authority granted in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 135-48.25. Please note that the State Health Plan is exempt from the rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act per N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-1(d)(7).