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Dear Home Health Provider:

South Dakota Medicaid is in the process of reviewing many of our Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) and found that a rule relating to the service restrictions for home health services found in ARSD § 67:16:05:05.01 is outdated.

We intend to repeal ARSD § 67:16:05:05.01(4) which restrict home health services to individuals who are homebound to be consistent with guidance received from CMS. As you know the formal process of revising the Administrative Rules of South Dakota and the submission of a Medicaid State Plan Amendment takes time. However, we will be initiating these processes to ensure we are consistent with CMS's guidance regarding the provision of home health services, and therefore wanted providers to be informed of the Agency's plan with respect to this proposed change. All other home health services requirements found in ARSD § 67:16:05:05.01 and 67:16:05:05.02 will remain in effect.

If you have further questions, please contact Sarah Aker at South Dakota Medicaid 605.773.3495.

Thank you for your ongoing support and care of South Dakota's Medicaid Home Health Recipients.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kirby L. Stone'.

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