

commission, the taxpayer shall file Form 3107.A and, if applicable Form 3102/3103.B.

B. All filings to the Louisiana Tax Commission shall be filed with the Office of the Administrator. They shall be deemed filed only when actually received, in proper form. All filings shall be in the form of an original and seven copies on letter size paper.

1. The Office of the Administrator shall be sent one "service copy" of all state court, federal court, appellate court, and/or Supreme Court pleadings in which the LTC is named party in addition to Special Counsel for the LTC.

C. At the close of the time period for filing protests, the commission shall assign each case to the docket and notify the parties of the time and place of the hearing.

D. Thirty days prior to said hearings, the protesting taxpayer shall file a signed, pleading, specifying each respect in which the initial determination is contested, setting forth the specific basis upon which the protest is filed, together with a statement of the relief sought and seven copies of all hearing exhibits to be presented; which shall be marked "Exhibit Taxpayer _____" and shall be consecutively numbered, indexed and bound. Legal memorandum submitted by the parties will be made part of the record of proceedings before the commission, but shall not be filed as exhibits to be offered into evidence for the hearing before the commission.

E. - T. ...

**Form 3107.A
Appeal To Louisiana Tax Commission
by Taxpayer
for Insurance Assessments**

LA Tax Commission
P.O. Box 66788
Baton Rouge, LA 70896
(225) 219-0339

Name: _____ Parish/District: _____

Taxpayer

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Address or Legal Description of Property Being Appealed

The Fair Market Value of the Administrative Section of the Louisiana Tax Commission is: \$ _____

I am requesting that the Fair Market Value be fixed at: \$ _____

Appellant:

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Date: _____

Email Address: _____

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 47:1837.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Revenue, Tax Commission, LR 33:501 (March 2007), amended LR 34:690 (April 2008), LR 36:782 (April 2010), amended by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Tax Commission, LR 38:812 (March 2012), LR 41:683 (April 2015), LR 43:661 (April 2017), LR 45:541 (April 2019), LR 48:1539 (June 2022).

Chapter 35. Miscellaneous

§3501. Service Fees—Tax Commission

A. The Tax Commission is hereby authorized on an interim basis for the period beginning on July 1, 2021, and

ending on June 30, 2026, to levy and collect the following fees in connection with services performed by the commission:

1. A fee for the assessment of public service properties, at the rate of four hundredths of one percent of the assessed value of such properties, to be paid by each public service property which pays ad valorem taxes.

2. A fee for the assessment of insurance companies, at the rate of three hundredths of one percent of the assessed value of such properties, to be paid by each insurance company which pays ad valorem taxes.

3. A fee for the assessment of financial institutions, at the rate of three hundredths of one percent of the assessed value of such properties, to be paid by each bank stock and loan and finance company which pays ad valorem taxes.

B. - D.1. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 47:1835 and R.S. 47:1838.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Revenue and Taxation, Tax Commission, LR 19:212 (February 1993), amended LR 20:198 (February 1994), amended by the Department of Revenue, Tax Commission, LR 24:494 (March 1998), LR 25:320 (February 1999), LR 26:513 (March 2000), LR 28:521 (March 2002), LR 30:493 (March 2004), LR 31:724 (March 2005), LR 32:439 (March 2006), LR 33:502 (March 2007), LR 35:501 (March 2009), amended by the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration, Tax Commission, LR 37:1403 (May 2011), LR 41:683 (April 2015), LR 43:662 (April 2017), LR 44:585 (March 2018), LR 45:542 (April 2019), LR 48:1540 (June 2022).

Lawrence E. Chehardy
Chairman

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RULE

**Department of Health
Bureau of Health Services Financing**

Abortion Facilities
Licensing Standards
(LAC 48:I.4401 and 4431)

The Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing has amended LAC 48:I.4401 and §4431 as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and R.S. 40:2175.1 et seq. This Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq. This Rule is hereby adopted on the day of promulgation.

Title 48

PUBLIC HEALTH—GENERAL

Part I. General Administration

Subpart 3. Licensing and Certification

Chapter 44. Abortion Facilities

Subchapter A. General Provisions

§4401. Definitions

Abortion or Induced Abortion—the act of using or prescribing any instrument, medicine, drug, or any other substance, device, or means with the intent to terminate the clinically diagnosable pregnancy of a woman with knowledge that the termination by those means will, with reasonable likelihood, cause the death of the unborn child.

Such use, prescription, or means is not an abortion if done with the intent to:

1. save the life or preserve the health of an unborn child;
2. remove a dead unborn child or induce delivery of the uterine contents in case of a positive diagnosis, certified in writing in the woman's medical record along with the results of an obstetric ultrasound test, that the pregnancy has ended or is in the unavoidable and untreatable process of ending due to spontaneous miscarriage, also known in medical terminology as spontaneous abortion, missed abortion, inevitable abortion, incomplete abortion, or septic abortion; or
3. remove an ectopic pregnancy.

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA)—a licensed health care practitioner who is acting within the scope of practice of his/her respective licensing board(s) and/or certifications.

CRNA—Repealed.

Genetic Abnormality—any defect, disease, or disorder that is inherited genetically. The term includes, without limitation, any physical disfigurement, scoliosis, dwarfism, Down syndrome, albinism, amelia, and any other type of physical, mental, or intellectual disability, abnormality, or disease

Physician Assistant (PA)—a licensed health care practitioner who is acting within the scope of practice of his/her respective licensing board(s) and/or certifications.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 40:2175.1 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 41:685 (April 2015), amended by the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 48:1540 (June 2022).

Subchapter C. Pre-Operative, Intra-Operative, and Post-Operative Procedures

§4431. Screening and Pre-Operative Services

A. - E.1. ...

2. Requirements

a. Except as provided in Subparagraph b below, at least 72 hours prior to the pregnant woman having any part of an abortion performed or induced, and prior to the administration of any anesthesia or medication in preparation for the abortion on the pregnant woman, the physician who is to perform the abortion or a qualified person who is the physician's agent shall comply with all of the following requirements:

i. perform an obstetric ultrasound on the pregnant woman, offer to simultaneously display the screen which depicts the active ultrasound images so that the pregnant woman may view them and make audible the fetal heartbeat, if present, in a quality consistent with current medical practice. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent the pregnant woman from not listening to the sounds detected by the fetal heart monitor, or from not viewing the images displayed on the ultrasound screen;

ii. provide a simultaneous and objectively accurate oral explanation of what the ultrasound is depicting,

in a manner understandable to a layperson, which shall include the presence and location of the unborn child within the uterus and the number of unborn children depicted, the dimensions of the unborn child, and the presence of cardiac activity if present and viewable, along with the opportunity for the pregnant woman to ask questions;

iii. offer the pregnant woman the option of requesting an ultrasound photograph or print of her unborn child of a quality consistent with current standard medical practice that accurately portrays, to the extent feasible, the body of the unborn child including limbs, if present and viewable;

iv. from a form that shall be produced and made available by the department, staff will orally read the statement on the form to the pregnant woman in the ultrasound examination room prior to beginning the ultrasound examination, and obtain from the pregnant woman a copy of a completed, signed, and dated form; and

v. retain copies of the election form and certification prescribed above. The certification shall be placed in the medical file of the woman and shall be kept by the outpatient abortion facility for a period of not less than seven years. If the woman is a minor, the certification shall be placed in the medical file of the minor and kept for at least seven years or for five years after the minor reaches the age of majority, whichever is greater. The woman's medical files shall be kept confidential as provided by law.

b. If the pregnant woman certifies in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy, then the physician who is to perform the abortion or a qualified person who is the physician's agent shall comply with all of the requirements of §4431.E.2.a at least 24 hours prior to the woman having any part of an abortion performed or induced.

c. - e. Repealed.

E.3. - F. ...

G. Information and Informed Consent

1. Oral and Written Information Provided by Physician or Referring Physician

a. Except as provided in Paragraph b below, at least 72 hours before the abortion the physician who is to perform the abortion or the referring physician shall provide informed consent to the pregnant woman seeking an abortion, pursuant to all laws, rules and regulations regarding informed consent. The informed consent shall be communicated both orally and in-person, and in writing, and shall be provided in a private room. Documentation of all such informed consent provided shall be maintained in the patient's medical record.

b. If the woman certifies in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy, then the physician who is to perform the abortion or the referring physician shall comply with all of the requirements of §4431.G.1 at least 24 hours prior to the abortion.

1.c. - 2.a. ...

3. Oral Information Provided by Physician, Referring Physician, or Qualified Person

a. Except as provided in Subparagraph b below, at least 72 hours before a scheduled abortion the physician who is to perform the abortion, the referring physician, or a qualified person shall inform the pregnant woman seeking an abortion, orally and in-person that:

i. - iv. ...

b. If the woman certifies in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy, then the physician who is to perform the abortion the referring physician, or a qualified person shall comply with all of the requirements of §4431.G.3 at least 24 hours prior to the abortion.

4. Provision of Printed Materials

a. At least 72 hours before the abortion, the pregnant woman seeking an abortion shall be given a copy of the printed materials, pursuant to any applicable state laws, rules, and regulations, by the physician who is to perform the abortion, the referring physician, or a qualified person. These printed materials shall include any printed materials necessary for a voluntary and informed consent, pursuant to R.S. 40:1061.17. However, if the pregnant woman certifies in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy, she shall be given a copy of the printed materials at least 24 hours prior to an elective abortion procedure by the physician who is to perform the abortion or a qualified person as defined in R.S. 40:1061.17(B)(4)(c).

i. - NOTE Repealed.

b. At least 72 hours before the abortion, the pregnant woman or minor female considering an abortion shall be given a copy of the department's *Point of Rescue* pamphlet and any other materials described in R.S. 40:1061.16 by the physician who is to perform the abortion or a qualified person as defined in R.S. 40:1061.17(B)(4)(c), except in the case of medical emergency defined by applicable state laws. However, if the pregnant woman or minor female considering an abortion certifies in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy, she shall be given a copy of these printed materials at least 72 hours prior to an elective abortion procedure by the physician who is to perform the abortion or a qualified person as defined in R.S. 40:1061.17(B)(4)(c), except in the case of medical emergency defined by applicable state laws.

i. The physician or qualified person shall provide to the woman, or minor female seeking an abortion, such printed materials individually and in a private room for the purpose of ensuring that she has an adequate opportunity to ask questions and discuss her individual circumstances.

ii. The physician or qualified person shall obtain the signature of the woman or minor female seeking an abortion on a form certifying that the printed materials were given to the woman or minor female.

iii. In the case of a minor female considering an abortion, if a parent accompanies the minor female to the appointment, the physician or qualified person shall provide

to the parent copies of the same materials given to the female.

iv. The signed certification form shall be kept within the medical record of the woman or minor female for a period of at least seven years.

c. At least 72 hours before the abortion, the pregnant woman seeking an abortion shall be given a copy of a printed informational document including resources, programs and services for pregnant women who have a diagnosis of fetal genetic abnormality and resources, programs and services for infants and children born with disabilities. However, if the pregnant woman certifies in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy, she shall be given a copy of these printed materials at least 24 hours prior to an elective abortion procedure by the physician who is to perform abortion or a qualified person as defined in R.S. 40:1061.17(B)(4)(c).

d. If the pregnant woman seeking an abortion is unable to read the materials, the materials shall be read to her. If the pregnant woman seeking an abortion asks questions concerning any of the information or materials, answers shall be provided to her in her own language.

NOTE: The provisions of this Section requiring a physician or qualified person to provide required printed materials to a woman considering an abortion shall become effective 30 days after the department publishes a notice of the availability of such materials.

5. Certification and Reporting

a. Prior to the abortion, the outpatient abortion facility shall ensure the pregnant woman seeking an abortion has certified, in writing on a form provided by the department that the information and materials required were provided at least 72 hours prior to the abortion, or at least 24 hours prior to the abortion in the case of a woman who has given prior certification in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy. This form shall be maintained in the woman's medical record.

b. ...

c. The pregnant woman seeking an abortion is not required to pay any amount for the abortion procedures until the 72-hour period has expired, or until expiration of the 24-hour period applicable in the case of a woman who has given prior certification in writing that she currently lives 150 miles or more from the nearest licensed outpatient abortion facility that is willing and able to perform the abortion at the particular woman's stage of pregnancy.

6. - 7.b. ...

8. Disposition of Fetal Remains

a. Each physician who performs or induces an abortion which does not result in a live birth shall ensure that the remains of the fetus are disposed of by interment or cremation, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 8:651 et seq. and the provisions of LAC 51:XXVI.

b. Prior to an abortion, the physician shall orally and in writing inform the pregnant woman seeking an abortion in the licensed abortion facility that the pregnant woman has the following options:

i. the option to make arrangements for the disposition and/or disposal of fetal remains by interment or cremation, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 8:651 et seq.; or

ii. the option to have the outpatient abortion facility/physician make the arrangements for the disposition and/or disposal of fetal remains by interment or cremation, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 8:651 et seq.

c. The pregnant woman shall sign a consent form attesting that she has been informed of these options; if the pregnant woman wants to make arrangements for the disposition of fetal remains, she will indicate so on the form; if no such indication is made on the form by the pregnant woman, the outpatient abortion facility/physician shall make the arrangements for the disposition and/or disposal of fetal remains by interment or cremation, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 8:651 et seq.

d. the requirements of §4431.G.8 regarding dispositions of fetal remains, shall not apply to abortions induced by the administration of medications when the evacuation of any human remains occurs at a later time and not in the presence of the inducing physician or at the facility in which the physician administered the inducing medications.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 40:2175.1 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 41:700 (April 2015), amended by the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 48:1541 (June 2022).

Dr. Courtney N. Phillips
Secretary

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RULE

Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing and Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities

Home and Community-Based Services Waivers
Children's Choice Waiver
(LAC 50:XXI.11105, 11301, 11303,
11501, 11529, 12101, and 12301)

The Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing and the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities have amended LAC 50:XXI.11105, §11301, §11303, §11501, §11529, §12101, and §12301 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This proposed Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq. This Rule is hereby adopted on the day of promulgation.

Title 50

PUBLIC HEALTH—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE Part XXI Home and Community-Based Services Waivers

Subpart 9. Children's Choice Waiver

Chapter 111. General Provisions

§11105. Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration

A. - A.1. ...

B. Individuals must meet the following criteria for participation in the MFP Rebalancing demonstration.

1. Individuals with a developmental disability must:

a. ...

b. occupy a licensed, approved and enrolled Medicaid nursing facility bed for at least 60 days or have been hospitalized in an acute care hospital for 60 days with referral for nursing facility placement; and

B.1.c. - E. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing and the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, LR 35:1892 (September 2009), amended by Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing and the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, LR 43:2524 (December 2017), amended by the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, and the Office for the Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, LR 48:1543 (June 2022).

Chapter 113. Service

§11301. Service Cap

A. - D. ...

E. Children's choice services are capped at \$20,200 per individual per plan of care year.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 26:2793 (December 2000), amended LR 28:1787 (August 2002), repromulgated for LAC, LR 28:1983 (September 2002), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, LR 33:2440 (November 2007), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing and the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, LR 37:2157 (July 2011), LR 39:507 (March 2013), LR 39:2498 (September 2013), amended by the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing and the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, LR 48:1543 (June 2022).

§11303. Service Definitions

A. - D.6. ...

7. Excluded are those adaptations or improvements to the home or vehicle, which are of general utility, and are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the participant, such as carpeting, roof repair, central air conditioning, whole home generators, a fence, etc.

D.8. - E.2. ...

3. For purposes of this service only, *family* is defined as persons who live with or provide care to a participant in the children's choice waiver and may include a parent,