

RULES

Louisiana Health and Human Resources Administration
Division of Family Services

(Editor's Note: The following rule was adopted by the Health and Human Resources Administration on August 11, 1975, to be effective on September 20, 1975. It has been in effect on an emergency basis since July 1, 1975.)

In the Louisiana Medical Assistance Program for the remainder of this calendar year beginning July 1, 1975, payment will be made for up to 12 physician visits for the full calendar year. For those who have used from 6 to 12 visits and over, payment will be made for 6 visits between July 1, 1975 through December 31, 1975. Those who have used less than 6 visits will be allowed payment for the appropriate number of visits remaining.

For example, those who have used one visit, payment will be made for up to 11 more; 2 visits, 10 more, etc. This will be accomplished by the Data Processing Section counting the number of physician visits already paid for each eligible person and computing the number remaining. The medical eligibility card issued monthly will show on an ongoing basis the number of physician visits for which each client remains eligible.

Form 158-A shall be used by the physicians to request approval of the Division of Family Services for payment of additional physician visits during the calendar year when the 12 payable visits have been exhausted. Request by the physician for additional visits shall be based on his certification of the medical necessity of such visits. The physicians may request a supply of Form 158-A from the Division of Family Services.

Effective January, 1976, the number of payable physician visits will be limited to 12 medically necessary physician visits per calendar year with provisions for extensions as outlined above.

Payment over and above that for a physician's office visit will no longer be made for injections given in his office.

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