

**ADVANCE NOTICE OF RULEMAKING:
N.J.A.C. 10:58 – Nurse Midwifery Services**

To whom it may concern:

This notice provides you and your organization with advance notice that the New Jersey Department of Human Services intends to propose to amend the contents of N.J.A.C. 10:58, Nurse Midwifery Services to reflect recent legislation and to update existing text to memorialize compliance with federally mandated provider participation requirements.

The most significant changes include the following:

- Proposed amendments to expand the definition of midwife to include any midwife licensed to practice by the State Board of Medical Examiners pursuant to N.J.S.A.45:10-1 et seq. as required by the SFY 2022 Appropriations Act.
- Proposed amendments to update the list of procedure codes for covered procedures to reflect the changes made to the nationally authorized list of codes published by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
- Proposed amendments to require providers to obtain a federally required National Provider Identifier (NPI) and valid taxonomy code for their provider type. Providers were notified of the federal requirement to obtain an NPI and taxonomy code via DMAHS Newsletter Volume 16, Number 18, in December 2006. The proposed amendment updates the rule to memorialize this change.

Non-substantial amendments will include technical amendments intended to correct grammar, spelling, organization of the chapter, contact information, websites, and/or citation references in the rule text.

N.J.A.C. 10:58, Nurse Midwifery Services, can be downloaded free of charge at <http://www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/njcode>.

This notice provides you with an opportunity to provide input and informal comments on the upcoming proposed amendments to N.J.A.C. 10:58 by Friday, October 22, 2021.

You will also be given an additional opportunity to provide formal comments on the actual proposal within 60 days of its publication date in the New Jersey Register. The Department will advise you of that date once it is finalized.

Please send any correspondence regarding this advance notice of the upcoming proposed rulemaking to:

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General feedback or comments on any Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare rule or program is always welcome and can be submitted in the manner described above for consideration and possible inclusion in future rulemakings.