Notice of Proposal to Amend QUEST Expanded Demonstration Project

The Hawai'i Department of Human Services (DHS) is amending the notification to amend the QUEST Expanded Demonstration Project previously published on July 30, 2010.

The elements of the proposed amendment are:

- The removal of the Hawaii Premium Plus program employee eligibility requirement to have been receiving unemployment insurance or had exhausted their unemployment insurance benefit.
- The addition of immunization for influenza and pneumonia as a covered benefit for QUEST-Net and QUEST-Ace recipients.
- Changes to the benefit package for non-pregnant childless adults

Changes to the Hawaii Premium Plus program are not expected to have an effect on the cost of the program. The cost for the influenza and pneumonia immunizations will be offset by the proposed changes to the benefit package for non-pregnant childless adults for an over-all reduction in State matching general funds.

A copy of the proposed amendments will be mailed at NO COST to any interested person by requesting a copy by writing to:

Department of Human Services Med-QUEST Division P. O. Box 700190 Kapolei, Hawaii 96709-0190

or by calling 692-8132. Neighbor island residents may request a copy of the proposed amendments at NO COST by contacting the Med-QUEST Division Sections as noted below.

East Hawaii Section 88 Kanoelehua Avenue, Room 107 Hilo, Hawaii 96720 (933-0339)

West Hawaii Section Lanihau Professional Center 75-5591 Palani Road, Ste. 3004 Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96740 (327-4970)

Kauai Section 4473 Pahee Street, Suite A Lihue, Hawaii 96766 (241-3575)

Maui Section 210 Imi Kala Street, Suite 101 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 (243-5780)

Molokai Section State Civic Center 65 Makaena Street, Room 110 Kaunakakai, Hawaii 96748 (553-1758)

Lanai Unit Call toll free 1-800-894-5755

A copy of the proposed amendments will be available for public viewing from the first working day that the legal notice appears in the <u>Honolulu Star-Advertiser</u>, <u>Hawaii Tribune Herald</u>, <u>West Hawaii Today</u>, <u>The Maui News</u>, and <u>The Garden Island</u> for a period of thirty days after the publication of this notice, from Monday – Friday, exclusive of state holidays and furlough days, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the appropriate Med-QUEST Division offices on their respective islands listed above. On Oahu, the proposed amendments will be available at 601 Kamokila Boulevard, Room 518, Kapolei, Hawaii 96707, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and 801 Dillingham Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96817, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., from Monday – Friday, exclusive of state holidays and furlough days.

Written comments concerning the proposal to amend the State's QUEST Expanded Section 1115 waiver demonstration will be accepted from all interested parties for a period of thirty days after the publication of this notice. Please send all written comments to:

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Special accommodations (i.e., Sign Language Interpreter, large print, taped materials, or accessible parking) can be made by calling 692-8132. Neighbor island residents needing special accommodations should contact the Med-QUEST Division Sections on the respective islands with their requests.

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