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Agency of Human Services  
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# Global Commitment Register

August 31, 2016

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GCR 16-051  
PROPOSED

## Medicaid Contraceptives Policy

### **Policy Summary:**

The Department of Vermont Health Access is proposing two changes to its contraceptives coverage policy. The first change is to allow oral contraceptives to be prescribed with a maximum supply of 12 months, increased from a maximum of 90 days. This increase to a 12-month supply for contraceptives is being filed with the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services as State Plan Amendment (SPA) 16-0019. The second change is to increase reimbursement rates for long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC) by 20%. These changes are being made pursuant to Act 120 of the 2016 Vermont legislative session and in an effort to increase access to contraceptives.

### **Effective Date:**

October 1, 2016

### **Authority/Legal Basis:**

The change to the supply limit is being made pursuant to 42 CFR §430.12(c)(1)(ii) under the Medicaid State Plan, which can be found here: <http://dvha.vermont.gov/administration/state-plan>.

The LARC rate increase is being made pursuant to the Global Commitment to Health waiver, available here: <http://dvha.vermont.gov/administration/global-commitment-to-health-1115-waiver-2015-documents>.

### **Population Affected:**

All Medicaid.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

	State Fiscal Year 2017	State Fiscal Year 2018
State	\$11,908	\$15,903
Federal	\$14,240	\$18,952
Total	\$26,148	\$34,864

**Public Comment Period:**

August 31, 2016 – September 30, 2016

Send comments to: [AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov](mailto:AHS.MedicaidPolicy@vermont.gov)

Or mail comments to:

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There is no public meeting scheduled at this time. If one should be scheduled, that information can be found at: <http://dvha.vermont.gov/> either through the calendar or listed under upcoming events. Comments received will be posted to the DVHA website by October 14, 2016 (link below).

**Additional information:**

The draft SPA provides additional details on the proposed changes; copies of the draft SPA can be requested from local Department for Children and Families (DCF) offices or from DVHA at (802) 355-8843, or can be found on the DVHA website: <http://dvha.vermont.gov/global-commitment-to-health/global-commitment-register-proposed-policy-changes>.