



## HFS ANNOUNCES UPDATE TO INPATIENT DETOX REVIEW

Pursuant to *Public Act 102-0043*, the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) recently issued a Provider Notice stating they have removed the prohibition for hospital readmissions for inpatient alcohol or drug detoxification within 60-days of a previous detoxification stay. Visit [hfs.illinois.gov](http://hfs.illinois.gov) Medical Providers Home page to find the HFS provider notices.

### **Next Steps for Providers**

*The following information should be communicated immediately to all ER/ED, intake, and utilization review staff within your organization regarding inpatient detoxification admissions.*

### **Effective immediately for new detox admissions:**

- If an inpatient admit diagnosis for alcohol or drug detoxification is subject to review on HFS Attachment B, the admitting facility must submit their admission requests online to eQHealth/Kepro for review within 24-hours of inpatient admission and prior to discharge:
  - **The detoxification codes on HFS' Attachment B have not changed but are no longer subject to a 60-day readmission policy.** Please download the updated HFS Attachments A-F list from the *Quick Resources* section of our homepage at [il.eqhs.com](http://il.eqhs.com).
  - The Detox LookUp Utility and the 60-day readmission edits/error messages have been removed from eQSuite®.
- The short-stay policy of 3 days or less does not apply to detox admissions.
- Hospitals will continue to follow the DRG review process by submitting an admission review and a continued stay review (d/c review) for quality screening and to record the discharge summary and discharge date.

**Need Assistance?** Please submit a ticket using the Online Helpline in eQSuite® with details of your request or question. Providers who do not have access to eQSuite® or need password assistance may contact eQHealth/Kepro at (800) 418-4045 Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., CST, except holidays.