

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR REVISIONS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS ARTICLE XIX (MEDICAL SERVICES FEES)

Allegheny County Board of Health

The Allegheny County Board of Health will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 5:00pm, at 807 Wallace Avenue, Wilkinsburg, PA 15221**, to take testimony on the proposed revision of Allegheny County Health Department Article XIX (Medical Services Fees):

Article XIX authorizes the Allegheny County Health Department to charge an individual and/or third party (health insurance) for medical services and ensures that individuals will not be denied services for inability to pay.

The proposed revisions to Article XIX would:

Clarify the rationale for billing for public health services

Add definitions related to clinical services to promote understanding of billing practices

Add exceptions for third party payor billing for specific services to ensure adherence to PA state law and protect patient privacy

Update language to allow for the Director's designee to carry out administrative tasks related to medical service fees

The proposed revised regulation and information on how to view or register to speak at the hearing will be available on the Board of Health's website at:

<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Services/Health-Department/Board-of-Health/Public-Hearing-Participation-Form>

Those who wish to present testimony must register no less than 24 hours in advanced of the hearing. Testimony is limited to 3 minutes. The Board of Health will also accept written comments, beginning on Monday, January 6, 2025 and concluding at 11:59 PM on Tuesday, February 4, 2025 by email to

PublicHealthComment@AlleghenyCounty.us or by mail to our administrative offices:

Attn: Article XIX Comments
(Clinical Services Bureau)
Allegheny County Health Department

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Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Those who do not have access to the internet and who wish to obtain copies of the regulation or register to speak at the public hearing should call 412-687-2243.