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Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated October 2002.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. In s. HFS 152.02 (2m), the acronym “MA” should not be used in the definition of BadgerCare because “MA” is not defined in ch. HFS 152. The department could either change “MA” to the full term “medical assistance,” defined in sub. (15m), or add the acronym “MA” to the definition of “medical assistance” and continue to use “MA” in sub. (2m). The same problem occurs in ss. HFS 153.02 (11g) and 154.02 (1m).

b. In s. HFS 153.06 (3) (g), the word “current” should be deleted or replaced. [See s. 1.01 (9) (b), Manual.] This problem also occurs in ss. HFS 152.06 (3) (h) and 154.06 (3) (g).

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

In s. HFS 153.02 (11r), it appears that the definition of “medicare” is not the same definition of “medicare” used in ss. HFS 152.02 (16) and 154.02 (12). Is there a reason the department is using different definitions for the same term or should the reference “1395 to” be inserted before “1395zz”?