

August 12, 2016

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Dear Provider:

The purpose of this letter is to provide an update on the status of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Section 1115 demonstration waiver and State Plan Amendment (SPA) requests submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to assist in addressing health impacts from potential lead exposure in Flint, Michigan. The Section 1115 demonstration waiver request was approved by CMS on March 3, 2016.

Medicaid coverage is now available to:

- Any child up to age 21 or pregnant woman with household income up to and including 400 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) who has been served by the Flint water system between April 2014 and a date to be determined in the future; AND
- Any child born to a pregnant woman served by the Flint water system during the specified time period.

An individual was served by the Flint water system if he or she consumed water from the Flint water system, AND

- Resided in a dwelling connected to this system; OR
- Had employment at a location served by this system; OR
- Received child care or education at a location connected to this system.

Individuals who are potentially eligible for the new eligibility category should be directed to [www.michigan.gov/mibridges](http://www.michigan.gov/mibridges) to apply for health care coverage. Those eligible for this coverage will not pay premiums, contributions or co-pays. Coverage is retroactive three months prior to enrollment into Medicaid, but no earlier than March 1, 2016.

For all Medicaid eligible individuals served by the Flint water system, including those currently eligible and those who are newly eligible, **Family Supports Coordination** (referred to as targeted case management (TCM) in the demonstration waiver and bulletin MSA 16-10, issued May 4, 2016) is available in addition to the full array of existing Medicaid-covered benefits for children up to age 21 and pregnant women as described above. **Family Supports Coordination** services are furnished by Genesee Health System to assist individuals in gaining access to appropriate medical, educational, social and/or other services. Individuals may access **Family Supports Coordination** through their Medicaid Health Plan, their primary care provider, or may contact Genesee Health System directly at 810-257-3777.

Children up to age 18 residing in Genesee County who have been found to have a blood lead level of  $\geq 5$  mcg/dl are eligible for Elevated Blood Lead Level (EBLL) nurse case management services provided by the Genesee Children's Healthcare Access Program (CHAP) operated by the Greater Flint Health Coalition. Once a Medicaid child's blood lead level is reduced to less than 5 mcg/dl, the child will be transitioned to **Family Supports Coordination**. Providers may contact the **EBLL Help Line at 888-322-4453** to refer children with an EBLL to CHAP for case management services, or to inquire about the case management status of a child in their care. **Providers are encouraged to obtain a venous confirmatory lead test for all children in their care whose blood lead screening results are  $\geq 5$  mcg/dl.**

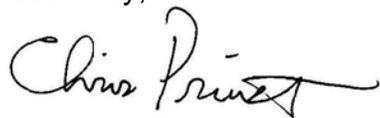
Medicaid-eligible children who were served by the Flint water system and are receiving TCM services as part of an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or an Individualized Family Services Plan (IFSP) administered through the Genesee County Intermediate School District (ISD) will continue to receive TCM services through the ISD, but they may choose to transition to **Family Supports Coordination** provided by Genesee Health System. An individual may not receive both **Family Supports Coordination** through Genesee Health System and TCM services through the Genesee County ISD at the same time.

Providers may verify beneficiary eligibility for the new eligibility category through a Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS) online eligibility inquiry or via a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) 270 transaction. The CHAMPS or 271 eligibility response for beneficiaries eligible for the new eligibility category will show:

- A current MAGI category beginning with "F"; or
- A current benefit plan of "TCMF" in addition to their assigned Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)-related benefit plans.

Bulletin MSA 16-11, issued May 4, 2016 provides additional information about the new eligibility category. Information about the Section 1115 demonstration waiver, SPA requests and related bulletins can be found at: [www.michigan.gov/mdhhs](http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs) >> Section 1115 Waiver-Medicaid Eligibility for Flint Residents.

Sincerely,



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