

Michigan Department of Community Health

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Subject: Minimum Data Set (MDS) 3.0 - Section Q / Participation in Assessment and Goal Setting / Return to the Community - Local Contact Agency (LCA)

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Programs Affected: Medicaid

THIS BULLETIN IS DIRECTED TO NURSING FACILITIES. THIS BULLETIN DISCUSSES THE MDS 3.0 AND MUST BE SHARED WITH THE NURSING FACILITY'S ADMINISTRATOR, SOCIAL WORKER, DISCHARGE PLANNER, AND ANY NURSING FACILITY STAFF COMPLETING SECTION Q OF THE MDS 3.0.

MI CHOICE WAIVER AGENCIES DESIGNATED AS THE LCAs ARE BEING PROVIDED THIS BULLETIN FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES AND WILL RECEIVE A SEPARATE BULLETIN OUTLINING THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.

Effective October 1, 2010, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services requires all nursing facilities to use the new MDS 3.0 in assessing residents. The MDS 3.0 includes new questions under Section Q regarding a resident's care expectations. Section Q provides a more meaningful dialogue with the resident on discharge planning goals, direct questions to the resident on receiving information about long-term care community options, and questions to promote a discharge planning collaboration between nursing facility and the LCA for residents who may require medical and supportive services to return to the community. The impetus for Section Q is to assist states in the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (1990) and the Olmstead Supreme Court Decision (1999).

One of the new elements to the MDS 3.0 is Section Q0600 – Referral. This bulletin informs nursing facilities which LCA they must contact when residents indicate a desire to return to the community.

Section Q0600 asks: "Has a referral been made to the local contact agency?" If the assessment shows that the resident wants to speak with someone about the possibility of returning to the community, the nursing facility staff must initiate a referral to the LCA. The LCA's role is to contact the resident and to provide timely information about services and supports in the community. The nursing facility staff is expected to meaningfully engage the resident in discharge planning and work with the appropriate agency to arrange for all necessary services for moving to the community.

The LCA does not relieve a nursing facility of its usual and customary discharge planning activities. Consistent with the Michigan Medicaid Nursing Facility Level of Care Determination's Freedom of Choice form, the facility's discussion with the resident on community long-term care options must take place.

The MDS 3.0 - Section Q discussion applies not only to newly admitted residents, but also to those who have already had a long-term stay at the facility and were not previously considered a candidate for community living.

LCA Designee

The Michigan Medicaid MI Choice Waiver Agencies are designated as the LCA. The appropriate regional office in the nursing facility's area can be found at www.michigan.gov/mdch >> Providers >> Health Care Coverage >> Services for Seniors >> MI Choice Waiver Program. A list of these agencies is also attached to this bulletin.

If multiple LCAs are available to the nursing facility within the particular service area, the resident must be offered choice on selecting the local contact agency to be contacted.

- ✓ The nursing facility must contact the LCA within 10 business days of a "yes" response to Q0500A on the MDS 3.0. When contacting the LCA the facility should indicate it is calling for the LCA to visit the resident based on information obtained from Section Q of the MDS 3.0.
- ✓ The LCA must then contact the resident within 3 business days by phone once notified by the nursing facility. If the resident still desires to return to the community, the LCA must then subsequently complete an initial face-to-face visit within 10 business days of the date the nursing facility made the referral.
- ✓ **If the initial face-to-face visit is not completed within 10 business days, the nursing facility must contact the State Contact for Section Q at (517) 373-9532.**

The Office of Services to the Aging and the Michigan Department of Community Health are in the process of developing Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) throughout the state. It is the Department's intent to establish ADRCs as the MDS 3.0 - Section Q LCA once ADRCs are functioning statewide. The MI Choice Waiver Agencies are the LCAs until the Department announces a policy change. Until such time, the MI Choice Waiver Agencies are the LCAs.

Information regarding Section Q can be found online at www.cms.gov >> Medicare >> Nursing Home Quality Initiative >> MDS 3.0 Training Materials >> MDS 3.0 Training Slides

Public Comment

The public comment portion of the policy promulgation process is being conducted concurrently with the implementation of the change noted in this bulletin. Any interested party wishing to comment on the change may do so by submitting comments in writing to:

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If responding by e-mail, please include "MDS Section Q" in the subject line. Comments received will be considered for revisions to the bulletin.

Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information has been incorporated into the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mail at ProviderSupport@michigan.gov. When you submit an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

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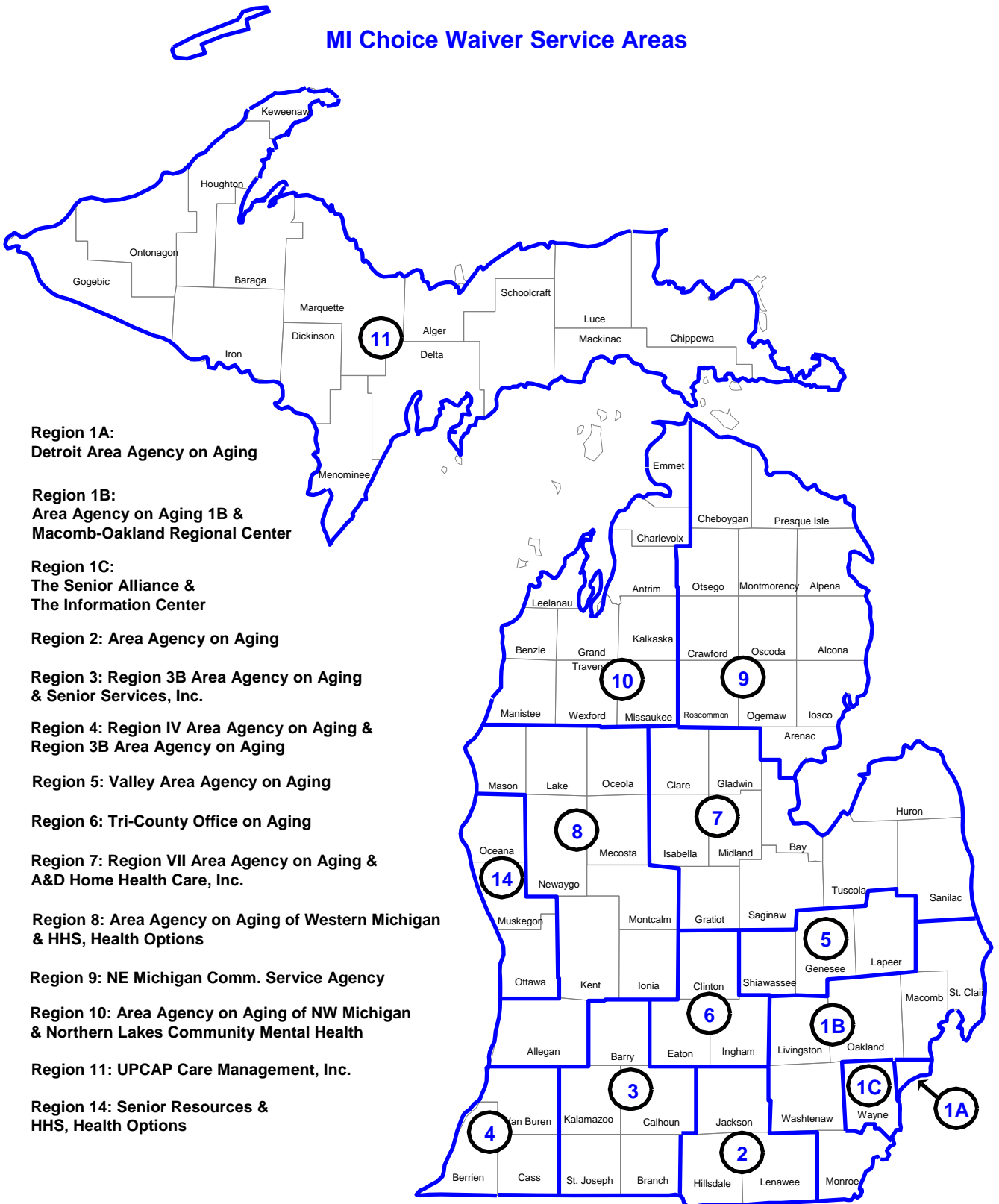
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MEDICAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

MI Choice Waiver Service Areas



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