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This version replaces CI 20-040 issued on 3/20/20 and 4/15/20. The previous versions are obsolete.

Across the state, health providers are limiting care to persons with emergency health needs. Required well-child medical exams and dental exams are not readily available. Please instruct staff to document in MiSACWIS when well-child medical or dental appointments are canceled or unable to be scheduled. These canceled and “unable to be scheduled” appointments should be entered into the appointment tab in the health profile as “unkept” with the reason noted as “COVID-19.”

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that all elective surgeries, non-essential medical, surgical, and dental procedures be delayed during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Urgent child health needs must be elevated and resolved. If a child with an urgent health need is not able to access care from a health professional, workers/supervisors must notify the health liaison officer, who in turn will notify the county director if attempts to find an alternate provider are unsuccessful.

The Medical Services Administration (MSA) is providing guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to propose solutions for social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19 and thus preserve the health system capacity for the duration of the pandemic. Minimizing face-to-face contact whenever possible is being strongly encouraged. The temporary policy changes will be in effect until 5/15/20.

This Medicaid policy impacts Home Help, MI Choice, Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly, Maternal Infant Health Program, MI Health Link, Medicaid Health Plans, Children's Special Health Care Services, Flint Waiver, PIHPs, and CMHSPs.