

Bulletin Number: MMP 23-21

Distribution: All Providers

Issued: April 7, 2023

Subject: Reversal of Temporary COVID-19 Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Policies

Effective: May 12, 2023

Programs Affected: CSHCS

The purpose of this policy is to notify all providers of the partial termination of temporary COVID-19 policies related to CSHCS.

MSA 20-24 - CSHCS Eligibility and Renewal Requirements

Issued May 6, 2020, MSA 20-24 allowed medical reports from nurse practitioners and physician assistants to be used for CSHCS eligibility and renewal in the absence of a report from a physician subspecialist. It also temporarily suspended the application of temporary eligibility periods (TEPs) during which families are issued temporary eligibility based on income level and required to apply for Medicaid. Both temporary practices are being terminated. Effective May 12, 2023, all medical reports for the purposes of eligibility/renewal of CSHCS coverage are required to be submitted by physician subspecialists. Further, CSHCS will again issue TEPs, 90-day periods of eligibility, for families whose income reported on the MSA-0738, Income Review/Payment Agreement (IRPA), indicates they may be eligible for Medicaid/MiChild/Healthy Michigan Plan. During a TEP, families will again be required to apply for Medicaid/MiChild/Healthy Michigan Plan.

MSA 21-07 - CSHCS Coverage of COVID-19 Vaccine Services and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) Drugs, Devices, and Biological Products for COVID-19 Prevention and Treatment

Issued May 3, 2021, MSA 21-07 allowed for CSHCS coverage for COVID-19 vaccine services and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) drugs, devices, and biological products for the prevention and treatment of COVID-19 when beneficiaries were otherwise uninsured. This policy is being terminated in part. Effective May 12, 2023, CSHCS will no longer cover FDA EUA drugs, devices, and biological products unless ordered by a beneficiary's CSHCS-authorized physician subspecialist and related to their CSHCS qualifying diagnosis. CSHCS will continue to cover COVID-19 vaccine services for all CSHCS beneficiaries, regardless of qualifying diagnosis.

MSA 21-12, Suspending Periodic Income Reviews for CSHCS Beneficiaries

Issued August 30, 2021, MSA 21-12 suspended the internal CSHCS practice of periodic and random income reviews of self-declared income at initial enrollment/renewal. Effective May 12, 2023, CSHCS will again identify families randomly for income review/verification when they submit the MSA-0738 - Income Review/Payment Agreement (IRPA), during initial enrollment and renewal. Periodic and random income reviews apply to all families/individuals who are not eligible for Medicaid, are wards of the county or state, are living in a foster home or private placement agency, are in a court-appointed guardianship, or are deceased (retroactive coverage).

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 to Jennifer Baumann at BaumannJ@michigan.gov.

Please include "Reversal of Temporary COVID-19 CSHCS Policies" in the subject line.

Comments received will be considered for revisions to the change implemented by this bulletin.

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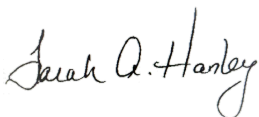
Information is time-limited and will not be incorporated into any policy or procedure manuals.

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mailed to ProviderSupport@michigan.gov. When you submit an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, NPI number, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Typical Providers may phone toll-free 800-292-2550. Atypical Providers may phone toll-free 800-979-4662.

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