

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF PROPOSED POLICY

Public Act 280 of 1939, as amended, and consultation guidelines for Medicaid policy provide an opportunity to review proposed changes in Medicaid policies and procedures.

Please review the policy summary and the attached materials that describe the specific changes being proposed. Let us know why you support the change or oppose the change.

Submit your comments to the analyst by the due date specified. Your comments must be received by the due date to be considered for the final policy bulletin.

Thank you for participating in the consultation process.



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Project Number: 2231-PE **Comments Due:** October 28, 2022 **Proposed Effective Date:** December 1, 2022

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Policy Subject: COVID-19 Response: Termination of Bulletin MSA 20-28

Affected Programs: Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, Maternity Outpatient Medical Services (MOMS), Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS), MI Health Link

Distribution: All Providers

Policy Summary: This bulletin rescinds the remaining waived provider enrollment requirements implemented by MSA 20-28 and describes the process for reinstating provider revalidation actions.

Purpose: The policy will allow the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to resume required provider enrollment activities that have been waived during the federal Public Health Emergency.

Proposed Policy Draft

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
Behavioral & Physical Health and Aging Services Administration

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The purpose of this policy is to terminate the remaining sections of Bulletin [MSA 20-28](#), issued April 30, 2020, regarding the temporary suspension of certain provider enrollment requirements. These suspensions were enacted in response to the overwhelming strain on the healthcare system due to the COVID-19 pandemic and approved by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) through section 1135 of the Social Security Act. Beginning December 1, 2022, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is electing to no longer use its Section 1135 authority waiving certain provider enrollment requirements. MDHHS will begin to reinstate these administrative processes consistent with current MDHHS policy and federal regulations governing Medicaid program integrity and provider enrollment activities.

Parts of Bulletin MSA 20-28 were previously rescinded through Bulletin [MSA 20-56](#) effective July 13, 2020.

Reinstated Provider Enrollment Requirements

Beginning December 1, 2022, the following processes will be reinstated:

- Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS) enrollment revalidations conducted through CHAMPS will be reinstated. MDHHS will begin to notify providers in November 2022 of their rescheduled revalidation date. Revalidation dates will be assigned on a rolling basis beginning with providers who have had the longest revalidation pause. Providers may also view their rescheduled revalidation date in CHAMPS.
- Site visits for prospective and current providers are reinstated. Site visits will be performed following all state and federal public health guidelines, such as masking and social distancing.

- Fingerprint-based criminal background checks associated with providers in the high-risk level category are reinstated.
- Enrollment application fees are reinstated. Providers who had their fees waived under Bulletin MSA 20-28 will be required to pay the waived fee. Providers may still request a hardship waiver per CMS guidelines. This will only be granted after MDHHS has received approval from CMS to provide the waiver to the provider.

MDHHS will continue to monitor COVID-19 impacts to provider administrative processes.