

Bulletin: MSA 05-23

Distribution: Local Health Departments

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Subject: Changes to Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Payment Agreement

Effective: May 1, 2005

Programs Affected: CSHCS

In response to Executive Order No. 2005-7 to replace general fund revenue for program operations with payment agreement fees, CSHCS is implementing changes to the payment agreement policy.

CSHCS clients who enter into a new or renewal payment agreement effective on or after May 1, 2005 will no longer receive refunds when the amount of the payment agreement exceeds the actual MDCH expenditures for the client. The change applies to all new and renewal payment agreements. Existing payment agreements will remain intact as agreed until their end date. The policy change will impact the client's next annual agreement.

Due to the need to achieve significant savings during the current fiscal year, the public comment portion of the policy promulgation process is being conducted concurrently with the implementation of the changes. Any interested party wishing to comment on the changes may do so by submitting comments in writing to:

MDCH
Children's Special Health Care Services
PO Box 30479
Lansing, MI 48909
Or
e-mail: LinnC@michigan.gov

If responding by e-mail, please include "Payment Agreement Changes" in the subject line.

Comments received will be considered for revisions to the changes implemented by this 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, Michigan 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 telephone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

Approved

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Paul Reinhart, Director
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