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Subject: Change in CSHCS Client/Family Payment Participation Policy

Effective: January 1, 2006

Programs Affected: Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)

Effective January 1, 2006, Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) reviews the CSHCS Income Review/Payment Agreement (MSA-0738) submitted by all individuals to evaluate the individual's/family's resources.

Individuals/families are exempt from a payment agreement if at least one of the following applies to the individual to be covered.

- Has full Medicaid coverage;
- Is enrolled in Women, Infants, and Children (WIC);
- Is enrolled in MICHild;
- Is a ward of the county or state;
- Lives in a foster home or private placement agency;
- Has a legal guardian;
- Is under age 18 and was adopted with a pre-existing CSHCS eligible medical condition;
- Has a family income at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL); and
- Is deceased (retroactive coverage)

The MSA-0738 (copy attached) must be completed and submitted, either indicating the individual/family status is exempt from a payment agreement, or the responsible party's income and family size as reported on the federal income tax return (Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ) from the previous year. If no federal income tax return is available, families may contact the local health department (LHD) or the CSHCS Family Phone Line (1-800-359-3722) for further assistance. Verification of income may be requested.

The individual/family payment amount is established based on the income and family size reported by the responsible party on the federal income tax return from the previous year. The income is applied to a tiered scale to determine the amount of the payment agreement (see attached CSHCS Payment Agreement Guide; MSA-0738-B). The MSA-0738-B is updated at least annually. The MSA-0738 must be signed by the beneficiary or legally responsible party for CSHCS coverage to be implemented.

Manual Maintenance

This bulletin should be retained until the information is incorporated into the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual. The MSA-0738 and MSA-0738-B are available electronically via e-mail by contacting wilsona@michigan.gov.

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.

Approved

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Reinhart". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Paul Reinhart, Director
Medical Services Administration

INCOME REVIEW /PAYMENT AGREEMENT

Instructions for Completion (MSA-0738)

The Income Review/Payment Agreement (MSA-0738) is used to determine if a payment agreement is required of the family to receive coverage by the Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) program.

General Instructions:

- Please **PRINT** clearly in ink.
- This form must be completed for the client.
- Do not write in the gray/shaded areas (official use only).
- Upon completion, keep PINK copy for your records.
- Mail **WHITE** and **YELLOW** copies, and additional page(s)(if applicable) to:

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
CSHCS DIVISION
PO BOX 30734
LANSING, MI 48909-8234
- If you need assistance, call **1-800-359-3722**.

SECTION 1 – Client Information (Adult Client or Minor Child) and Household Information

1. Enter the name of the client applying for CSHCS services.
2. Enter the Social Security Number of the client.
3. Enter the client's ID number (CSHCS or Medicaid) if client has one.
4. Enter the client's home address.
5. Enter the client's county of residence.
6. List other immediate family members in the household with CSHCS coverage (attach additional pages if needed).
7. Check all that apply to the client. **Note:** If you check any box in # 7, **NO PAYMENT IS REQUIRED**. Skip #8 and #9, and then go to #10 and enter the amount \$0.00. Continue to Section 3.

SECTION 2 – Income Information (Note: Contact your local health department CSHCS office for help if you are unable to complete this section due to no Federal Tax Form, step-family exclusions, change in family size, loss of income, or other similar circumstance.)

8. Enter the total number of immediate family members (total number of exemptions on your Federal Tax Form from the previous year; see line 6 d. on the Federal 1040 or the 1040A, or line 5 of the Federal 1040EZ).
9. Enter the responsible party's income from the Federal Tax Form (line 22 of the Federal 1040, line 15 of the Federal 1040A, or line 4 of the Federal 1040EZ). If no Federal Tax Form is available, call 1-800-359-3722 for assistance.
Note: Clients age 18 or older are legal adults; therefore, only their income is considered and not that of the family or guardian.
10. Enter the **Yearly Payment Agreement Amount** according to the enclosed Payment Agreement Guide (MSA-0738-B), even if the amount is \$0.00.

SECTION 3 – Payment Agreement

Read each statement carefully. This is your Payment Agreement for services with the CSHCS program.

11. Signature of adult client or legally responsible party and date signed.
12. Print name of person signing #11.
13. Check box which identifies the person signing #11.

Payment Instructions

Monthly payment coupons will be mailed to the client's address. The monthly payment amount can be found on the Payment Agreement Guide (MSA-0738-B). Payments are to be made monthly using these coupons, or the full Yearly Payment Agreement Amount can be paid after receiving the coupons.

AUTHORITY: Title V of the Social Security Act
COMPLETION: Is Voluntary, but required if CSHCS program services are desired.

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INCOME REVIEW / PAYMENT AGREEMENT

SECTION 1 – Client Information (Adult Client or Minor Child) and Household Information

1. Client Name (Last, First, Middle)	2. Social Security Number	3. Client ID Number	
4. Client's Home Address (Street, City, State, Zip)	5. County		Suffix
6. List other immediate family members in household with CSHCS coverage (attach additional pages if needed)			Region
Name (Last, First, Middle)	Client ID Number	Birth Date	
7. Does the Client have any of the following? Full Medicaid <input type="checkbox"/> Yes W.I.C. 9-digit W.I.C. Family # <input type="checkbox"/> Yes MICHild.....(Not mihealth) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Does the Client live in a foster home or private placement agency?..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Is the Client a ward of the county/state or is there a legal guardian?..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Is the Client under age 18 and adopted with a pre-existing CSHCS eligible diagnosis? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Is the Client deceased? (If Yes, date of death) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		IMPORTANT: If you checked any box in #7, NO PAYMENT IS REQUIRED. GO to Line # 10, enter \$0.00, and continue completing the form. (See instructions.)	

SECTION 2 – Income Information

8. Enter the total number of immediate family members claimed as exemptions on your Federal Tax Form from the previous year	_____
9. Enter the responsible party's income from the Federal Tax Form from the previous year. (Line 22 of the Federal 1040; Line 15 of the Federal 1040A; or Line 4 of the Federal 1040EZ)	\$ _____
10. Enter the yearly amount of the required Payment Agreement according to the Payment Agreement Guide, (MSA-0738-B)	\$ _____

SECTION 3 – Payment Agreement

- I understand that if I did not check **ANY** box in #7, I agree to pay the State of Michigan the required amount on Line # 10 for Children's Special Health Care Services coverage for the period of one year.
- I agree to pay monthly or the full amount after receiving the payment coupons.
- If my circumstances change and I am unable to continue paying, I will contact CSHCS immediately for a possible adjustment to this agreement.
- I understand that when the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) pays for services, any right to recover monies from a third person or public or private contractor (except Medicare) is transferred to the MDCH. Payment of any recovery under such right is to be made directly to the State of Michigan, MDCH, or agent.
- I certify under the penalty of perjury that the information on this form is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation of this information may result in the loss of CSHCS coverage.
- I authorize the State of Michigan to verify any information on this form.
- I understand that if the amount due to the State is not paid in full, it may result in non-renewal of my CSHCS coverage. If unpaid, my account may also be sent to the Michigan Department of Treasury for collection.

11. Signature of Adult Client or Legally Responsible Party	Date Signed	13. The person signing Box 11 is the: <input type="checkbox"/> PARENT of Minor Client <input type="checkbox"/> GUARDIAN of Client <input type="checkbox"/> ADULT Client <input type="checkbox"/> FOSTER PARENT of Client
12. Print Name Signed Above		

Retain **PINK** copy. Mail the signed **WHITE** and **YELLOW** copies, with any additional page(s) to:

**Michigan Department of Community Health
CSHCS Division
PO Box 30734
Lansing, MI 48909-8234**

**Michigan Department of Community Health
Children's Special Health Care Services
PAYMENT AGREEMENT GUIDE**

This guide does not apply if the client has Medicaid, WIC, MICHild, or any other exemption in #7 of the Income Review/Payment Agreement form (MSA-0738). No payment is required.

This chart will give you the amount your family is required to pay to receive coverage by the Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) program.

INSTRUCTIONS:

You will need to use the information you put on your Income Review/Payment Agreement (MSA-0738) form to use this guide:

- Find the column for the **Family Size** you put on line #8 of the MSA-0738 **in the chart below**.
- Find the **Income Range** in this same column that includes the income you put on line #9 of the MSA-0738.
- Follow the row across to the right to find your **Yearly Payment Agreement Amount**.
- Place the **Yearly Payment Agreement Amount** from the chart below on line #10 of the Income Review/Payment Agreement form (MSA-0738).

NOTE:

- If there are more than **five (5)** people in your family, call **1 (800) 359-3722** for help in determining the payment agreement amount for your family.
- If you need any help, call 1 (800) 359-3722.

FAMILY SIZE / INCOME RANGE CHART					YEARLY PAYMENT AGREEMENT AMOUNT
Family of 1	Family of 2	Family of 3	Family of 4	Family of 5	
\$0.00 - \$19,139	\$0.00 - \$25,659	\$0.00 - \$32,179	\$0.00 - \$38,699	\$0.00 - \$45,219	\$0.00
\$19,140 - \$23,925	\$25,660 - \$32,075	\$32,180 - \$40,225	\$38,700 - \$48,375	\$45,220 - \$56,525	\$150.00/year (\$12.50/month)
\$23,926 - \$28,710	\$32,076 - \$38,490	\$40,226 - \$48,270	\$48,376 - \$58,050	\$56,526 - \$67,830	\$300.00/year (\$25.00/month)
\$28,711 - \$38,280	\$38,491 - \$51,320	\$48,271 - \$64,360	\$58,051 - \$77,400	\$67,831 - \$90,440	\$600.00/year (\$50.00/month)
\$38,281 - \$47,850	\$51,321 - \$64,150	\$64,361 - \$80,450	\$77,401 - \$96,750	\$90,441 - \$113,050	\$1,200.00/year (\$100.00/month)
\$47,851 and up	\$64,151 and up	\$80,451 and up	\$96,751 and up	\$113,051 and up	\$2,400.00/year (\$200.00/month)