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**Subject:** Implementation Delay of the CMS 1500 (08/05) Paper Claim Form

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**Programs Affected:** Medicaid, Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS), Adult Benefits Waiver (ABW), Maternity Outpatient Medical Services (MOMS), Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED), Children's Waiver Program (CWP), Plan First

The purpose of this bulletin is to alert providers that the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is delaying acceptance of the CMS 1500 (08/05) paper claim form until June 1, 2007. Policy bulletin MSA 07-09 had previously announced MDCH would require paper claims for professional services be submitted using the CMS 1500 (08/05) effective April 1, 2007.

The delay is in response to the recent announcement by the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that incorrectly formatted versions of the CMS 1500 (08/05) paper claim form have been sold by print vendors. For that reason, Medicare has extended its acceptance period of the CMS 1500 (12/90) claim form version until June 1, 2007. The National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) has recommended that all other payers follow Medicare's extension. To comply with this recommendation, MDCH will also extend acceptance of the CMS 1500 (12/90) until June 1, 2007.

Although Medicare will allow submission of either the CMS 1500 (12/90) or the correctly formatted CMS 1500 (08/05), due to processing constraints, MDCH will only accept the CMS 1500 (12/90) version until June 1, 2007. MDCH will continue to allow only the legacy Medicaid provider ID number to be reported on the CMS 1500 claim form until this date. Any CMS 1500 (08/05) claim forms submitted prior to June 1, 2007 will be returned to the provider. All paper claims for professional services submitted on or after June 1, 2007 must be on the CMS 1500 (08/05) version.

#### **Manual Maintenance**

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## 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](mailto: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 style with a large initial "P" and a long, sweeping underline.

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