

Bulletin Number: MSA 21-12

**Distribution:** All Providers

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Subject: COVID-19 Response: Suspending Periodic Income Reviews for

Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Beneficiaries

**Effective:** Immediately

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

This policy temporarily suspends periodic and random income reviews conducted by CSHCS at the time of application and renewal. Form MSA-0738, Income Review/Payment Agreement, is required at application/renewal for 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), and requires families/individuals to self-declare income. During the federally declared Public Health Emergency (PHE) only, CSHCS will accept self-declared income and will not conduct periodic and random income reviews. All other requirements of CSHCS financial determinations remain unchanged.

## **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, Policy Specialist, via e-mail at BaumannJ@michigan.gov.

Please include "Covid-19 Response: Suspending Periodic Income Reviews for CSHCS" in the subject line.

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

## **Manual Maintenance**

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 <a href="ProviderSupport@michigan.gov">ProviderSupport@michigan.gov</a>. When you submit questions, 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 1-800-292-2550. Atypical Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-979-4662.

**Approved** 

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