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Out-of-State Hospice Providers

An out-of-state, borderland hospice provider cannot cross over the border into Michigan to provide services to a Medicaid beneficiary unless:

- the agency is licensed and Medicare certified as a hospice in Michigan, or
- the state in which they are licensed and certified has a reciprocal licensing agreement with the State of Michigan.

If one of these conditions is met and the hospice provides services across state lines, its personnel must be qualified (e.g., licensed) to practice in Michigan.

Medicaid will not cover services for a beneficiary who enters a hospice-owned residence outside of Michigan. The Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS) system will not recognize the core-based statistical area (CBSA) code of another state. Additionally, when a Michigan Medicaid beneficiary voluntarily enters a hospice-owned residence in another state to receive routine hospice care, they are no longer considered a Michigan resident and, therefore, not eligible for hospice benefits under Michigan Medicaid.

Home Health Out-of-State and Borderland Providers

An out-of-state home health provider cannot cross over the border into Michigan to provide services to a Medicaid beneficiary unless they are Medicare certified as a home health agency in Michigan. If this condition is met, and the home health agency provides services across state lines, its personnel must be qualified (e.g., licensed) to practice in Michigan.

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, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mailed to 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



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