

July 25, 2017

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Dear Provider:

**RE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Extension of Transition Period for Compliance with the Home and Community Based Settings Requirement**

The purpose of this letter is to notify providers who render home and community-based services (HCBS) to waiver participants of CMS extending the deadline to comply with the federal home and community-based settings requirement. The deadline has been extended from March 17, 2019 to the new date of March 17, 2022.

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is committed to working with providers towards coming into compliance with the federal home and community-based settings requirement as specified in the Statewide Transition Plan. This includes:

- Continuing to assess residential and non-residential settings for compliance;
- Implementing remedial strategy for non-compliant settings;
- Identifying settings that will require Heightened Scrutiny;
- Collecting evidence from settings that meet Heightened Scrutiny;
- Reviewing and submitting evidence for Heightened Scrutiny to CMS for review;
- Notifying settings of CMS' Heightened Scrutiny decision;
- Transitioning individuals from settings that cannot meet the federal home and community-based settings requirement to compliant settings; and
- Conducting ongoing monitoring of residential and non-residential settings for compliance.

Any questions regarding this letter should be directed to Provider Support, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or email at [ProviderSupport@michigan.gov](mailto:ProviderSupport@michigan.gov). When submitting an email, be sure to include your name, affiliation, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 800-292-2550.

Sincerely,



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