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**Distribution:** Hospitals

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Subject: Rural Access Pool Rescission

**Effective:** As Indicated

**Programs Affected:** Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan

NOTE: Implementation of this policy is contingent upon State Plan Amendment approval from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Pursuant to Enrolled Senate Bill 139, which makes appropriations for the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, MDHHS is rescinding Medicaid policy bulletin MSA 13-50 and discontinuing the Rural Access Pool. The pool was formerly distributed to hospitals that provided Medicaid services to low income rural residents.

## **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 in writing to:

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E-mail: ToddC1@michigan.gov

If responding by e-mail, please include "Rural Access Pool Rescission" in the subject line.

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

## **Manual Maintenance**

Retain this bulletin until the information is incorporated into the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

## 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 an e-mail, be sure to include your name, affiliation, NPI number, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

## **Approved**

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