

Weekly Update

Maternal Infant Health Program



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Revised Telehealth Claim Submission

Effective for dates of service on or after June 1, 2021, MIHP providers are no longer required to include a comment/remark on ALL telehealth claims indicating that visits occurred via telehealth. Updated guidance now requires a comment/remark only on telehealth claims that occur via telephone-only. For additional guidance, please refer to Medicaid Bulletin [MSA 20-13](#).

- The comment/remark for a telehealth visit occurring **telephone-only** should state: “services provided via telephone”

This change applies to Medicaid claim submission only and does not impact MIHP program documentation.

Mental Health Awareness Month



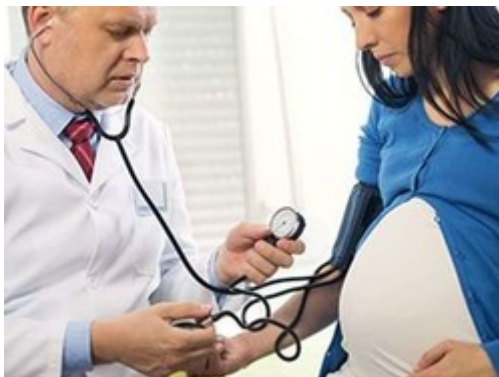
May is nationally recognized as Mental Health Awareness Month and Maternal Mental Health Month. In Michigan, one area of focus has been on Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders (PMAD) and the effect depression and anxiety have on mothers, fathers and families. There have been several May events promoting awareness, advocacy and treatment, including last week’s Climb Out of Darkness, coordinated by the Michigan Chapter of Postpartum Support International (PSI). PSI offers resources, connection to specially trained therapists and support groups for Michigan families on their

website <https://psichapters.com/mi/> Training for professionals is also available through the Michigan Chapter, including scholarships for providers working in underserved communities.

Governor Whitmer, recognizing the importance of maternal mental health, declared May Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders month (see attached Proclamation). She joins us all in thanking you for your work to serve MIHP families experiencing PMAD. More resources are available from National Institute of Children’s Health Quality (NICHQ) [Maternal Mental Health Awareness Month 2021 \(nichq.org\)](https://www.nichq.org/).



COVID Vaccination in Pregnancy Study



Pregnant women who receive the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccines appear to transfer protective antibodies to their babies, according to a recent study from the journal *Obstetrics & Gynecology*.

The researchers assessed 122 pregnant women who received the vaccines. They also analyzed the cord blood of the women's babies at the time of birth. The helpful antibodies were found in 99% of the cord blood of babies

whose mothers received both doses of the two-dose vaccines, and in 44% of those whose mothers received one dose.

"This finding is encouraging for pregnant women who want to protect both themselves and their newborn against COVID-19," lead author Dr. Malavika Prabhu, associate director of labor and delivery at Weill Cornell Medicine in New York City, said in a hospital news release.

The study also found the vaccines triggered antibody production in pregnant women as soon as five days after the first dose, while the transfer of antibodies through the placenta to the baby began as soon as 16 days after the first dose.

Prabhu said the findings are encouraging. "However, we do not know what level of antibody is protective against COVID-19, and how long those protective antibodies will last, for either the mother or the baby," she added.

A link to the full study, published by the American College of Obstetrics & Gynecology, can be found [HERE](#).

ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 Screening by Other Entities

If another entity (i.e. pediatrician, early childhood program, other home visiting program) is conducting ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 screenings for an infant, the MIHP provider does not need to duplicate the screening. It is necessary to document that developmental screening is being provided by another entity on the Contact Log and obtain copies of the ASQ Information Summary for the infant's record.

If the MIHP agency is unable to secure the Information Summaries from the other entity, note the attempts made to do so on the Contact Log. The ASQ-3 and ASQ:SE-2 must be conducted as appropriate from that point forward by the MIHP agency.

If the infant drops out of the program that has been conducting the developmental screenings, then screening becomes the MIHP agency's responsibility. Document on the Contact Log that a home visitor has asked the caregiver and that the infant is not continuing to receive screening through the other entity.

In the situation where an infant is referred to the Early On program, the infant will receive a developmental evaluation which will be used to determine eligibility for Early On services. If the infant is found to be eligible for Early On, an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) will be developed, and services will be provided. In this case, the MIHP provider does not need to continue to conduct ASQ screenings but should document that the infant is receiving services through Early On on the Contact Log.

If the infant is not enrolled in Early On because they are found to be ineligible or the family decides against enrollment, or the infant is enrolled but then drops out of Early On, it is the agency's responsibility to resume developmental screening.

Emergency Broadband Benefit



*Helping Households Connect
During the Pandemic*



The Emergency Broadband Benefit is an [FCC program](#) to help families and households struggling to afford internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. This new benefit will connect eligible households to jobs, critical healthcare services, virtual classrooms, and so much more. Please share this information with your families who may benefit from the program.

More details about eligibility and a link to apply can be found [HERE](#).

Coordinator Directory

[Click here to access the Coordinator Directory](#)

Topic Submission

If you have suggestions for topics to be addressed in future additions of the MIHP Weekly Update, please submit your ideas [here](#).

Previously Released MIHP Weekly Updates

To review any previously released MIHP Weekly Updates, they can be found by visiting the MIHP webpage Michigan.gov/MIHP or by clicking [here](#).

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