MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF PROPOSED POLICY

Public Act 280 of 1939, as amended, and consultation guidelines for Medicaid policy provide an opportunity to review proposed changes in Medicaid policies and procedures.

Please review the policy summary and the attached materials that describe the specific changes being proposed. Let us know why you support the change or oppose the change.

Submit your comments to the analyst by the due date specified. Your comments must be received by the due date to be considered for the final policy bulletin.

Thank you for participating in the consultation process.

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Project Number:	1729-Practitioner	**Comments Due:**	January 1, 2018	**Proposed Effective Date:**	January 1, 2018

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Policy Subject: Update to Physician Primary Care Rate Eligibility

Affected Programs: Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, MIChild

Distribution: Practitioners, Outpatient Hospitals, Medicaid Health Plans

Policy Summary: This bulletin is being issued in response to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 budget appropriations of Public Act 107 of 2017. In compliance with the language and intent of Section 1801 of the Act, physicians with the primary specialty designation of general medicine will be eligible to qualify as a primary care provider for the purpose of increased payment.

Purpose: To comply with PA 107 of 2017, Section 1801.

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NOTE: Implementation of this policy is contingent upon approval of a State Plan Amendment by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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For dates of service on and after January 1, 2018, MDHHS will apply an increased payment rate to eligible primary care services provided by qualified physicians whose Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS) Provider Enrollment profile is reflective of the primary specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine, pediatric medicine and general medicine. Payment will be made on the qualified procedure codes as published in a separate fee schedule on the MDHHS website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders >> Billing & Reimbursement >> Provider Specific Information >> Physicians/Practitioners/Medical Clinics. Other provider eligibility criteria remain unchanged.

For additional information related to provider eligibility and primary care physician services subject to the enhanced primary care rate, refer to the Practitioner Chapter of the Medicaid Provider Manual, Practitioner Reimbursement Appendix. The Medicaid Provider Manual can be accessed on the web at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders >> Policy, Letters & Forms.

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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If responding by e-mail, please include "Update to Physician Primary Care Rate Eligibility" 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-mail at 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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