

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS

The Division proposes to amend its regulations under the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E, ss. 7 and 12 and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 3. The Division describes the substance of the proposed actions as amendments to regulations found at 130 CMR 433.000.

MassHealth is proposing further revisions as a result of public comments to the anesthesia services section of the physician regulations to expand the conditions of payment for services provided by certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs). The nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, and physician assistant sections of the regulation are also amended to allow these mid-level providers to have supervisory and/or collaborative relationship with a MassHealth provider, or a salaried employee of a MassHealth provider.

It is anticipated that these amendments will not go into effect before August 3, 2012.

All persons desiring to submit data, views, or arguments concerning these proposed actions may submit them in writing to the Medicaid Director, EOHHS, One Ashburton Place, Room 1109, Boston, Massachusetts 02108, or e-mail them to [masshealthpublicnotice@state.ma.us](mailto:masshealthpublicnotice@state.ma.us). E-mailed comments should contain the sender's name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Comments will be accepted through Friday, July 13, 2012.

All persons desiring to review the current draft of the proposed actions may go to [www.mass.gov/masshealth/proposedregs](http://www.mass.gov/masshealth/proposedregs) or request a copy in writing or in person from the MassHealth Publications Unit, 100 Hancock Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, Massachusetts 02171.

The Division may adopt a revised version of the proposed actions taking into account relevant comments and any other practical alternatives that come to the Division's attention.

By Order of the Division of Medical Assistance

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