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NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION

SUBJECT: MassHealth: Notice of Submission of a Request to Amend the MassHealth Section 1115 Demonstration

AGENCY: Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

The Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) announces its intent to submit a Request to Amend the MassHealth Section 1115 Demonstration to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

The MassHealth Section 1115 Demonstration provides federal authority for Massachusetts to expand eligibility to individuals who are not otherwise Medicaid or CHIP eligible, offer services that are not typically covered by Medicaid, and use innovative service delivery systems that improve care, increase efficiency, and reduce costs.

The Demonstration Amendment Request outlines the specific authorities being requested from CMS to expand eligibility for the Medicare Savings Programs to comply with state law, to extend eligibility for postpartum coverage to 12 months, to authorize postpartum coverage for members not otherwise eligible due to immigration status, to enhance services for specialized populations, and to provide flexibility related to place of services.

Public Comment Period: EOHHS will accept comments on the proposed Demonstration Amendment (collectively the “proposed Amendment”) through April 25, 2021. The proposed Amendment; details on where to submit comments; and additional relevant information are available at: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/amendment-of-1115-masshealth-demonstration-waiver-march-2021>.

EOHHS will host a virtual public listening session in order to hear public comments on the Request. Stakeholders are invited to review the Request in advance and share with EOHHS staff at the listening sessions any input and feedback, or questions for future clarification. The listening session is scheduled as follows.

Date: Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Time: 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Meeting Link: Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

<https://umassmed.zoom.us/j/98694523661?pwd=b09jVWZqTUNXWDVJQig2K3A4NkFiUT09>

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