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TO: Acute Inpatient Hospitals Participating in MassHealth

FROM: Mike Levine, Undersecretary for MassHealth

RE: MassHealth Coverage of Donor Human Milk and Human-Milk-Derived Products

Overview

This bulletin outlines MassHealth coverage of donor human milk and human-milk-derived products as detailed in M.G.L. c 176B § 4YY.

Changes Effective October 14, 2025

Effective October 14, 2025, and in accordance with [M.G.L. c 176B § 4YY](#), MassHealth coverage for medically necessary donor human milk and human-milk-derived products will be provided for infants, subject to the all of the following conditions.

- The milk is obtained from a human milk bank that meets [quality guidelines](#) established by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.
- A licensed medical practitioner has issued a written order for the provision of the human breastmilk or donor human-milk-derived products for the covered infant.
- The covered infant
 1. is under the age of 6 months;
 2. is undergoing treatment in an inpatient setting for a congenital or acquired condition that places them at a high risk of developing necrotizing enterocolitis or a congenital or acquired condition that may benefit from the use of the human breastmilk as determined by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health; and
 3. is medically or physically unable to receive birthing parent breastmilk or participate in breastfeeding with the birthing parent, or has a birthing parent who is medically or physically unable to produce breast milk in sufficient quantities or caloric density despite receiving lactation support.

Billing for Donor Human Milk and Human-Milk-Derived Products

To bill for donor human milk and human-milk-derived products, acute inpatient hospitals must use revenue code 220 when submitting claims to MassHealth.

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