



Eligibility Letter 250

DATE: January 2026

TO: MassHealth Staff

FROM: Elizabeth LaMontagne, Chief Operating Officer

RE: **Revised regulation 130 CMR 506.00: *MassHealth: Financial Requirements***

Background

MassHealth has updated its regulations at 130 CMR 506.00: *MassHealth: Financial Requirements*.

This regulation amendment includes the following changes:

- **Premium Assistance Reimbursement:** In compliance with federal requirements, MassHealth does not recover for Premium Assistance overpayments.
- **State Intercept:** In compliance with federal requirements, MassHealth does not utilize state intercept to recoup unpaid premiums.
- **Premium Billing:** To comply with federal requirements, MassHealth will no longer impose a lock-out period for former members with an unpaid premium balance. MassHealth will also remove premium billing tables and required member contribution tables from the regulations. MassHealth will update and publish these tables online annually, based on changes to the Federal Poverty Level.
- **Premium Billing Hardship:** MassHealth is eliminating the provision found at 130 CMR 506.011(G)(1)(e) related to CommonHealth members.
- **CMSP Premiums:** Amendments eliminate reference to premiums for the Children's Medical Security Plan (CMSP) under 300% FPL, in alignment with the FY25 Budget.
- **CommonHealth:** Per the Commonwealth's 1115 Waiver authority, CommonHealth members younger than 65 are no longer required to work or meet a one-time deductible.
- **Severability:** To align with other MassHealth regulations (rate regulations under 101 CMR), MassHealth is adding a severability clause to the end of the regulation.
- **Regulatory Authority:** MassHealth is broadening the regulatory authority citation to M.G.L. c. 118E instead of citing specific sections within c. 118E to ensure that relevant sections not currently cited, such as Sec. 9 (Eligibility), are included.

These regulations are effective January 30, 2026.

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New Material

The pages listed here contain new or revised language.

Regulation 130 CMR 506.00: *MassHealth: Financial Requirements*

Pages 1 through 46.

Obsolete Material

The pages listed here are no longer in effect.

Regulation 130 CMR 506.00: *MassHealth: Financial Requirements*

Pages 506.00 through 506.14 — transmitted by Eligibility Letter 248

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