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TO: Independent Nurse Providers Participating in MassHealth

FROM: Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth 

RE: **Criminal Offender Record and Sexual Offender Registry Requirements for Independent Nurse Providers**

MassHealth checks Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) for Independent Nurses (IN) per 130 CMR 450.000: *Administrative and Billing Regulations*, Section 6401 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and 803 CMR 2.00: *Criminal Offender Record Information Regulations*. This bulletin replaces [Independent Nurse Bulletin 8](#).

Effective on and after August 09, 2023, MassHealth will also check Sexual Offender Registry Information (SORI).

SORI checks will occur at the same time as CORI checks and according to the information in this bulletin.

MassHealth will check CORI and SORI under the following circumstances:

- As part of the application process for IN providers;
- As part of the provider revalidation process for INs;
- As part of an annual review during the month of the IN's enrollment as a MassHealth IN provider, unless MassHealth changes the timing of the checks; and
- As a decision made by MassHealth or its designee.

Failure to authorize MassHealth to check a CORI and or SORI may result in denial of enrollment as a MassHealth IN, sanctions or termination of the IN's MassHealth provider contract. See 130 CMR 450.213: *Provider Eligibility: Termination of Participation for Ineligibility*.

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