**Notice of Agency Action**

**Subject:** Addition of Code Modifier for Preventive Behavioral Health Services under 101 CMR 306.00: Rates of Payment for Mental Health Services Provided in Community Health and Mental Health Centers

**Agency:** Executive Office of Health and Human Services

Effective September 1, 2021, EOHHS is adding a code modifier for preventive behavioral health services used by all governmental units for preventive behavioral health services provided in community health and mental health centers.

EOHHS is adding this modifier to be used when community health and mental health centers bill for the provision of preventive behavioral health services to eligible members. The addition of this modifier is projected to increase annual aggregate MassHealth expenditures by approximately $35,000.

Individuals may submit written comments by emailing masshealthpublicnotice@state.ma.us. Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with “Preventive Behavioral Health Code Modifier under 101 CMR 306.00: Rates of Payment for Mental Health Services Provided in Community Health and Mental Health Centers” in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender’s full name and address. Individuals who are unable to submit comments by email should mail written comments to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. Copies of the proposed changes are available at EOHHS or may be viewed at EOHHS’s website at <https://www.mass.gov/lists/special-notices>.

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