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## NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION

**SUBJECT:** MassHealth: Amendment to the Standard Alternative Benefit Plan State Plan (Home Health Benefit)

**AGENCY:** Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS)

# **Background**

EOHHS has determined that certain conforming amendments to its Standard Alternative Benefit Plan State Plan (ABP State Plan) are warranted.

EOHHS is amending the home health benefit in its Standard ABP State Plan. EOHHS is amending the benefit description to reflect that continuous skilled nursing is not provided as a part of the home health benefit.

## Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Services and Tribal Consultation

The amendment will not affect how MassHealth provides early and periodic screening, diagnostic and treatment (EPSDT) services. EOHHS has followed the tribal consultation noticing process established under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and set forth in its approved state plan.

#### **Public Comments**

EOHHS will hold a public comment period until September 21, 2023, about this ABP State Plan Amendment. Individuals may submit written comments by emailing <a href="mailto:ehs-regulations@state.ma.us">ehs-regulations@state.ma.us</a>.

Please email comments as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the phrase "ABP Home Health Benefit" in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name and email address.

Individuals who are unable to send comments by email should mail written comments to

EOHHS, c/o Debby Briggs 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor Quincy, MA 02171

To be considered, written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. September 21, 2023.

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