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NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION

SUBJECT: MassHealth: Amendment to the Standard and CarePlus Alternative Benefit Plan State Plans (Services Rendered by Licensed Acupuncturists)

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

Background

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

EOHHS is adding coverage of services rendered by licensed acupuncturists to its Medicaid State Plan. EOHHS is making conforming changes in the ABP State Plans to confirm coverage of services rendered by licensed acupuncturists under these plans as well.

EPSDT and Tribal Consultation

The amendments 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 March 30, 2022 relative to these ABP State Plan Amendments. Individuals may submit written comments by emailing ehs-regulations@state.ma.us.

Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with the phrase "ABP Coverage of Services Rendered by Licensed Acupuncturists" in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name and email address.

Individuals who are unable to submit comments by email should submit written comments to

EOHHS, c/o Debby Briggs
100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor
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To be considered, written comments must be received by **5:00 p.m. on March 30, 2022.**

Posted: **March 23, 2022**

