

## NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION

**SUBJECT:** MassHealth policies related to cost sharing for testing, treatment, and vaccination for the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

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

EOHHS intends to amend its Medicaid State Plan in second quarter of state fiscal year 2023 to confirm it is providing coverage to all eligibility groups in the Massachusetts Medicaid program (“MassHealth”) for COVID-19 testing, treatment, and vaccination without cost sharing. This policy will also apply to alternative benefit plans. Reimbursement to qualified providers for such coverage is not reduced by any cost sharing that would otherwise be applicable under the state plan. This policy will be in effect during the period starting March 11, 2021 and ending on the last day of the first calendar quarter that begins one year after the last day of the emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act.

Individuals may submit written comments by emailing [ehs-regulations@state.ma.us](mailto:ehs-regulations@state.ma.us) by December 22, 2022. Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the email with “COVID-19 testing, treatment, and vaccination cost sharing” in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender’s full name and address. Individuals unable to submit comments by email should mail written comments to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, 100 Hancock St, 6th Fl, Quincy, MA 02171. Copies of the proposed changes will be available at EOHHS or may be viewed at <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-notice>.