

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Health and Human Services**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Under the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) will hold a remote public hearing on Thursday 11/6/25, at 10 a.m. relative to the adoption of amendments to the following regulation.

101 CMR 347.00: *Rates for Freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Centers*

Effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2026, EOHHS is proposing to maintain current rates for all FASC services established in 101 CMR 347.00. The proposed amendments include updates to FASC procedure codes. In addition, EOHHS is proposing to expand service coverage by adding 12 procedure codes as payable codes to Subchapter 6 of the MassHealth FASC program regulation, 130 CMR 423.000. This proposed coverage expansion for the MassHealth FASC program does not require changes to 101 CMR 347.00, as the newly covered procedure codes already exist, with rates in 101 CMR 347.00.

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed changes to 101 CMR 347.00, but the proposed coverage of additional services has an estimated \$26,000 aggregate annual fiscal impact. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.

EOHHS is proposing these amendments, subject to federal approval and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 118E, §13D, to ensure that payments are reasonable and adequate to meet the costs that must be incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities.

To register to testify at the hearing and to get instructions on how to join the hearing online, go to www.mass.gov/info-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-hearings. To join the hearing by phone, call (646) 558-8656 and enter meeting ID 935 397 8200# when prompted.

You may also submit written testimony instead of, or in addition to, live testimony. To submit written testimony, please email your testimony to ehs-regulations@mass.gov as an attached Word or PDF document or as text within the body of the email with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All written testimony must include the sender's full name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by email should mail written testimony to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. Written testimony will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on 11/6/25. EOHHS specifically invites comments as to how the amendments may affect beneficiary access to care for MassHealth-covered services.

To review the current draft of the proposed regulation, go to www.mass.gov/info-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-hearings or request a copy in writing from MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171.

Special accommodation requests may be directed to the Disability Accommodations Ombudsman by email at ADAAccommodations@mass.gov or by phone at (617) 847-3468 (TTY: (617) 847-3788 for people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech disabled). Please allow two weeks to schedule sign language interpreters.

EOHHS may adopt a revised version of the proposed regulation taking into account relevant comments and any other practical alternatives that come to its attention.

In case of inclement weather or other emergency, hearing cancellation announcements will be posted on the MassHealth website at www.mass.gov/info-details/executive-office-of-health-and-human-services-public-hearings.

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