

**Division of Medical Assistance**

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Office of Medicaid**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Under the authority of M.G.L. c. 6A, section 16 and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, the Division of Medical Assistance (the "Division") will hold a remote public hearing on Monday, December 1, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., on the adoption of amendments to the following regulation.

**130 CMR 450.000: Administrative and Billing Regulations**

130 CMR 450.000 sets forth the administrative and billing regulations that apply to MassHealth providers and MassHealth-covered services.

The proposed amendments update 130 CMR 450.000 to do the following. (1) Comply with federal regulations on prior authorization. (2) Update conditions of payment to require a provider listed on a claim to be enrolled in MassHealth only if state or federal laws/rules require such enrollment. (3) Clarify that providers participating in managed care are required to adhere to performance specifications and other requirements established in managed care entity provider contracts. (4) Update hearing provisions to allow for discretionary vacating of a procedural dismissal of an administrative appeal at the Board of Hearings. (5) Update referral exemption requirements for primary care clinician (PCC) and primary care accountable care organization (PCACO) plans and update the provider eligibility criteria for the PCC and PCACO plans. (6) Update the pay-for-performance language on notice and dispute procedures to apply the section more broadly to existing performance incentive payment programs. (7) Clarify the early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) and Preventive Pediatric Health Care Screening and Diagnosis (PPHSD) Programs. (8) Allow MassHealth to require providers to obtain a separate national provider identifier per service location and issue separate provider ID/service location numbers for separate service locations. (9) Make other clarifying and administrative updates.

The proposed effective date of the proposed amendments is April 10, 2026. The proposed amendments are not expected to increase annual aggregate MassHealth expenditures. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.

To register to testify at the hearing and get instructions on how to join the hearing online, go to [mass.gov/info-details/masshealth-public-hearings](https://mass.gov/info-details/masshealth-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

[masshealthpublicnotice@mass.gov](mailto:masshealthpublicnotice@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 cannot submit testimony by email should mail it to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. Written testimony will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. December 1, 2025. The Division specifically invites comments on how the amendments may affect beneficiary access to care.

To review the regulation, go to [mass.gov/info-details/masshealth-public-hearings](https://mass.gov/info-details/masshealth-public-hearings) or request a copy in writing from MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, MA 02171.

Special accommodation requests may be emailed to the Disability Accommodations Ombudsman at [ADAAccommodations@mass.gov](mailto: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.

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

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