Testimony on 101 CMR 613.00: *Health Safety Net Eligible Services*
Proposed Amendments Effective October 9, 2026
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Introduction

Good afternoon. My name is Chris King, and I am the Director of Safety Net Programs in the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS). I am here to present testimony on the proposed amendments to *101 CMR 613.00: Health Safety Eligible Services*. The proposed amendments were adopted on an emergency basis, effective October 9, 2026, for claims with dates of service on or after August 1, 2026.

Background

Regulation 101 CMR 613.00 governs the services for which Acute Hospitals and Community Health Centers may be paid by the Health Safety Net, and the eligibility criteria for individuals receiving services that are paid for by the Health Safety Net.

Description of Changes

The proposed amendments to 101 CMR 613.00 subject Adult Dental Services for the Health Safety Net to all limitations specified in 130 CMR 420.000 for dental services provided to individuals 21 years of age and older, and effectuate the adult dental service maximum of $1,750 per individual per state fiscal year as a collective total maximum amount paid for an individual across MassHealth and the Health Safety Net. These updates align with the State Fiscal Year 2027 General Appropriations Act.

Fiscal Impact

The estimated fiscal impact associated with the proposed amendments to 101 CMR 613.00 is a reduced spend of approximately $1.9 million.

As Health Safety Net is paid through a finite trust fund, there is no expected fiscal impact to the state or to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund associated with these amendments.

This concludes my testimony.

Thank you.