

Testimony on Amendments to 130 CMR 508.000, effective July 17, 2026
MassHealth: Managed Care Requirements

Public Hearing: April 3, 2026

Introduction

Good Morning. My name is Vivian Haime and I am the Director, Strategy and Administration in the Office of Accountable Care and Behavioral Health at the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS). I am here to present staff testimony on proposed amendments to regulation 130 CMR 508.000: *MassHealth: Managed Care Requirements*. These amendments were proposed on March 13, 2026, to become effective July 17, 2026.

Background

MassHealth regulation 130 CMR 508.000 describes the MassHealth Managed Care Requirements.

Proposed Amendments

MassHealth is proposing the following amendments to 130 CMR 508.000 to align with updated federal requirements, clarify existing requirements, and improve continuity for certain members:

- Under 130 CMR 508.001, MassHealth members enrolled with a Primary Care ACO or in the PCC Plan must enroll with the MassHealth behavioral health contractor.
- Under 130 CMR 508.002, participation with a MassHealth Managed Care provider, SCO Plan and One Care Plan will be updated and clarified to exclude:
 - a member who is not eligible for benefits under Title XIX or XXI of the Social Security Act;
 - a member who is eligible for benefits under Title XIX or XXI of the Social Security Act on a time-limited basis;
 - a member who is eligible for emergency Medicaid benefits pursuant to Section 1903(v) of the Social Security Act; and
 - As to SCO and One Care enrollment only, a member subject to a six-month deductible period under 130 CMR 520.028.

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- Under 130 CMR 508.003, CommonHealth members younger than 21 years old not enrolled with a MassHealth managed care provider pursuant to 130 CMR 508.003(B)(2)(a)1 must obtain any behavioral health services through the MassHealth behavioral health contractor.

MassHealth is also proposing other technical wording updates throughout the regulations.

Fiscal Impact

MassHealth expects no fiscal impact.

This concludes my testimony. Thank you.