

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Office of Medicaid**

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS

The Division proposes to amend its regulations under the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E, ss. 7 and 12 and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A. The Division describes the substance of the proposed actions as amendments to regulations found at 130 CMR 420.000: Dental Services. The proposed amendments allow coverage of periodontal services to MassHealth members aged 21 and older with prior authorization. Periodontal services include gingivoplasty, gingivectomy, and periodontal scaling and root planing. These amendments implement a provision of the FY19 state budget.

It is anticipated that these amendments will not go into effect before February 1, 2019.

All persons desiring to submit data, views, or arguments concerning these proposed actions may submit them in writing to the Assistant Secretary for MassHealth, EOHHS, One Ashburton Place, Room 1109, Boston, Massachusetts 02108, or email them to masshealthpublicnotice@state.ma.us. Emailed comments should contain the sender's name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Comments will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on December 21, 2018.

All persons desiring to review the current draft of the proposed actions may go to www.mass.gov/service-details/masshealth-public-notices-1 or request a copy in writing or in person from the MassHealth Publications Unit, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, Massachusetts 02171.

The Division may adopt a revised version of the proposed actions taking into account relevant comments and any other practical alternatives that come to the Division's attention.

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