

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES LANSING

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Dear Tribal Chair and Health Director:

RE: Section 1115 Demonstration Amendment Request to Allow Continued Coverage of Targeted Case Management Services for All Eligible Pregnant Women Up to Twelve Months Post-Delivery to Assist in Addressing Health Impacts from Potential Lead Exposure in Flint, Michigan

This letter, in compliance with Section 1902(a)(73) and Section 2107(e)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act, serves as notice to all Tribal Chairs and Health Directors of the intent by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to submit a Flint Michigan Section 1115 Demonstration (Project Number: 11-W-00302/5) Amendment request to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

This request will allow MDHHS to continue coverage of targeted case management services for all eligible pregnant women up to twelve (12) months post-delivery who are:

- Served by the Flint water system or were served by the Flint water system between April 2014 and the date on which the Flint water system is deemed safe by the appropriate authorities AND
- Pregnant women with household income above 400 percent FPL can buy in to unsubsidized coverage under the program.

The waiver amendment will impact Native American pregnant women as described above. The anticipated effective date of this waiver amendment is April 1, 2023.

There are no other changes to the Flint Demonstration Program. A copy of the draft waiver amendment can be found at: https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/assistance-programs/section-1115-waiver-medicaid-eligibility-for-flint-residents.

There is no public hearing scheduled for this waiver amendment. Input regarding this waiver amendment is highly encouraged, and comments regarding this notice of intent may be submitted to Lorna Elliott-Egan, MDHHS Liaison to the Michigan tribes. Lorna can be reached at 517-512-4146, or via email at Elliott-EganL@michigan.gov. Please Provide all input by December 19, 2022.

In addition, MDHHS is offering to set up group or individual consultation meetings to discuss the waiver amendment, according to the tribes' preference. Consultation meetings allow tribes the opportunity to address any concerns and voice any suggestions, revisions, or objections to be relayed to the author of the proposal. If you would like additional information or wish to schedule a consultation meeting, please contact Lorna Elliott-Egan at the telephone number or email address provided above.

MDHHS appreciates the continued opportunity to work collaboratively with you to care for the residents of our state.

An electronic copy of this letter is available at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders >> Policy, Letters & Forms.

Sincerely,

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