
EMERGENCY RULE

TITLE 22 – MISSOURI CONSOLIDATED HEALTH CARE PLAN

Division 10 – Health Care Plan Chapter 3 – Public Entity Membership

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

22 CSR 10-3.075 Review and Appeals Procedure The Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan is amending section (5).

PURPOSE: This emergency amendment adds an occurrence in which MCHCP may allow one (1) additional reinstatement and revises the time frame in which MCHCP may approve an appeal where a subscriber missed a deadline.

*EMERGENCY STATEMENT: This emergency amendment must be in place by January 1, 2025, in accordance with the new plan year. Therefore, this emergency amendment is necessary to serve a compelling governmental interest of protecting members (public entity employee members, retirees, and their families) enrolled in the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan (MCHCP) from the unintended consequences of confusion regarding eligibility or availability of benefits and will allow members to take advantage of opportunities for reduced premiums for more affordable options without which they may forego coverage. Further, it clarifies member eligibility and responsibility for various types of eligible charges, beginning with the first day of coverage for the new plan year. It may also help ensure that inappropriate claims are not made against the state and help protect the MCHCP and its members from being subjected to unexpected and significant financial liability and/or litigation. It is imperative that this amendment be filed as an emergency amendment to maintain the integrity of the current health care plan. This emergency amendment fulfills the compelling governmental interest of offering access to more convenient and affordable medical services to public entity employee members, retirees, and their families as one (1) method of protecting the MCHCP trust fund from more costly expenses. This emergency amendment reflects changes made to the plan by the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan Board of Trustees. A proposed amendment, which covers the same material, is published in this issue of the **Missouri Register**. This emergency amendment complies with the protections extended by the **Missouri** and **United States Constitutions** and limits its scope to the circumstances creating the emergency. The MCHCP follows procedures best calculated to assure fairness to all interested persons and parties under the circumstances. This emergency amendment was filed October 25, 2024, becomes effective January 1, 2025, and expires June 29, 2025.*

(5) In reviewing appeals, notwithstanding any other rule, the board and/or staff may grant any appeals when there is credible evidence to support approval under the following guidelines:

(D) MCHCP may allow one (1) reinstatement for termination due to non-payment per lifetime of account. Payment in full for all past and current premiums due for reinstatement must be included with the appeal. **MCHCP may allow one (1) additional reinstatement if the subscriber submits an automatic withdrawal authorization;**

*AUTHORITY: section 103.059, RSMo 2016. Emergency rule filed Dec. 20, 2004, effective Jan. 1, 2005, expired June 29, 2005. Original rule filed Dec. 20, 2004, effective June 30, 2005. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Emergency amendment filed Oct. 25, 2024, effective Jan. 1, 2025, expires June 29, 2025. An emergency amendment and proposed*

*amendment covering this same material will be published in the Dec. 2, 2024, issue of the **Missouri Register**.*

PUBLIC COST: This emergency amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the time the emergency is effective.

PRIVATE COST: This emergency amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the time the emergency is effective.