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Effective July 1, 2006 new contracts have been awarded in the Eastern, Central and Western regions of the State for continuation of the MC+ Managed Care Program.

Eastern Region: Includes the counties Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, St. Charles, St. Francois, Ste. Genevieve, St. Louis, Warren, and Washington, and St. Louis City.

Community CarePlus has asked the State of Missouri to approve Mercy Health Plans to become a part owner of Community CarePlus on July 1, 2006. If approved, Community CarePlus will change its name to Mercy CarePlus. All Mercy MC+ members will be enrolled in Community CarePlus which will become Mercy CarePlus on July 1, 2006.

The MC+ Managed Care health plans providing services effective July 1, 2006:

Eastern MC+ Managed Care Health Plans
HealthCare USA 10 South Broadway, Suite 1200 St. Louis, MO 63102
Mercy CarePlus (formerly known as Community CarePlus) 10123 Corporate Square Drive St. Louis, MO 63132
Harmony Health Plan of Missouri 23 Public Square, Suite 400 Belleville, IL 62220

Central Region: Includes the counties of Audrain, Boone, Callaway, Camden, Chariton, Cole, Cooper, Gasconade, Howard, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Osage, Pettis, Randolph, and Saline.

The MC+ Managed Care health plans providing services effective July 1, 2006:

Central MC+ Managed Care Health Plans
HealthCare USA 10 South Broadway, Suite 1200 St. Louis, MO 63102
Missouri Care 2404 Forum Boulevard Columbia, MO 65203
Mercy CarePlus (formerly known as Community CarePlus) 10123 Corporate Square Drive St. Louis, MO 63132

Western Region: Includes the counties of Cass, Clay, Henry, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Platte, Ray, and St. Clair.

The MC+ Managed Care health plans providing services effective July 1, 2006:

Western MC+ Managed Care Health Plans
Children's Mercy Family Health Partners 215 W. Pershing Street, Suite 600 Kansas City, MO 64108
Blue-Advantage Plus of Kansas City 2301 Main Kansas City, MO 64108
FirstGuard Health Plan 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300 Kansas City, MO 64130
HealthCare USA 10 South Broadway, Suite 1200 St. Louis, MO 63102
Mercy CarePlus (formerly known as Community CarePlus) 10123 Corporate Square Drive St. Louis, MO 63132

MC+ Managed Care Pharmacy Coverage

Effective July 1, 2006, not all MC+ Managed Care health plans will provide pharmacy coverage. As part of the contracting process, the MC+ Managed Care health plans chose to include or exclude pharmacy in their proposal to the State.

For those MC+ Managed Care health plans that included pharmacy, there is no change in how pharmacy is covered. MC+ Managed Care enrollees will use the MC+ Managed Care health plan pharmacy network. Providers and enrollees must follow the MC+ Managed Care health plans rules for pharmacy coverage. MC+ Managed Care health plans will arrange for payment of pharmacy services. The Medicaid/MC+ Fee-for-Service Program will not pay for pharmacy services except for protease inhibitors.

For the MC+ Managed Care health plan that excluded pharmacy, there is a change in how pharmacy is covered. The MC+ Managed Care health plan will no longer be responsible for pharmacy services. Children's Mercy Family Health Partners is the only MC+ Managed Care health plan that chose to exclude pharmacy. Children's Mercy Family Health Partners' enrollees will present their red MC+ card and use Medicaid/MC+ Fee-for-Service enrolled pharmacy providers following the Medicaid/MC+ Fee-for-Service program rules for coverage of pharmacy. The Medicaid/MC+ Fee-for-Service program will pay for pharmacy services. Diabetic supplies and equipment will continue to be covered by all MC+ Managed Care health plans.

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MC+ Managed Care: The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MC+ Fee-for-Service
- Medicaid Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MC+ Managed Care

Questions regarding MC+ Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MC+ Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MC+ card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-635-8908 and using Option One.

Provider Communications Hotline
573-751-2896