

Public Notice Regarding the MO HealthNet Cost Sharing

June 8, 2021

Pursuant to 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 447.57(c), which mandates the public be provided with advanced notice of and opportunity to comment on proposed changes to substantially modify existing cost sharing requirements, this is to advise that:

The Missouri Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division (DSS/MHD) provides notice of the following:

1. To ensure efficiency, economy, quality of care, and access, a State Plan Amendment to remove all cost sharing (copay/coinsurance/shared dispensing fee) for all MO HealthNet participants will be submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This change in cost sharing is contingent upon approval by CMS. This State Plan will be submitted under State Plan Transmittal Number 21-0011. The requested effective date is July 1, 2021.

The total annual fiscal impact is estimated to be \$0.00. This estimate is based on the fact that cost sharing was eliminated on March 1, 2020 due to the Covid-19 public health emergency.

2. Comments may be sent by regular mail, express or overnight mail, in person or by courier within fourteen days after publication of this notice and must be sent or delivered to the following address:

MO HealthNet Division
615 Howerton Ct., 2nd Floor
Jefferson City, MO 65109
Attention: Glenda Kremer

Comments may also be emailed to Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov. Please use "Public Comment for Cost Sharing" in the subject line. Comments must be received by June 23, 2021.

3. A copy of the proposed Cost Sharing State Plan Amendment is available for public review by contacting the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division at Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov. These documents also may be viewed online at <https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/alerts~public-notices.htm>.
4. No public hearing will be held.