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The CMHPSM has received a little bit of additional information after our May 1, 2020 communication related to the provider premium pay described in bulletin L 20-27. We are expecting additional information in the near future from Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) related to both revisions to bulletin L 20-27 and operational guidance.

The CMHPSM region is awaiting further information on multiple topics related to the premium pay increase:

- The CMHPSM has not yet received funding allocated for the pay increase. At this point our information from MDHHS is that the funding related to the increase will not make it into our end of May capitation payments and that they are targeting our end of June payment. The CMHPSM will make all efforts to pass along funding as quickly as possible to the CMHSPs and thus to the provider system.
- There has been some discussion that the initial list of services identified in bulletin L 20-27 as eligible for provider premium pay are in the process of being revised. We are expecting a revision to L 20-27 to be released soon with the potential for changes to the service codes eligible for premium pay.
- We have sought guidance on what formal requirements will be applied to the premium pay increase. Past direct care wage increases have had varying levels of flexibility afforded to the provider system. We are awaiting formal guidance on operationalizing this premium pay increase and have consolidated many of the questions you all have notified your local CMHSPs of and communicated them to MDHHS.

Our region is dedicated to ensuring as much financial support as fiscally possible to our provider network. We have begun to work on operationalizing the premium pay increase service rate adjustments locally, so that we can implement quickly when MDHHS finalizes their plans and sends the associated funding. We will continue to provide updates on the premium pay initiative on an ongoing basis to keep the provider network informed.

As always thank you to each of you, and your frontline staff for your dedication and service you provide. Please contact your local CMHSP contract contact if you have further questions or concerns.

Thank you,

James Colaianne
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