
Emergency Rule

**Title 22—MISSOURI CONSOLIDATED
HEALTH CARE PLAN
Division 10—Health Care Plan
Chapter 2—State Membership**

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

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

22 CSR 10-2.047 PPO 1250 Plan Benefit Provisions and Covered Charges. The Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan is amending section (5).

PURPOSE: This emergency amendment adds one hundred percent (100%) coverage of virtual visits offered through the vendor's telehealth tool.

EMERGENCY STATEMENT: This emergency amendment must be in place by January 1, 2021, in accordance with the new plan year. Therefore, this emergency amendment is necessary to serve a compelling governmental interest of protecting members (employees, retirees, officers, 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 forgo 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 members 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. 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 26, 2020, becomes effective January 1, 2021, and expires June 29, 2021.

(5) The following services are not subject to deductible, coinsurance, or copayment requirements and will be paid at one hundred percent (100%) when provided by a network provider:

- (D) Four (4) Diabetes Self-Management Education visits; *[and]*
- (E) Sterilization procedure for men^[.]; **and**
- (F) **Virtual visits offered through the vendor's telehealth tool.**

*AUTHORITY: section 103.059, RSMo 2016. Emergency rule filed Oct. 31, 2018, effective Jan. 1, 2019, expired June 29, 2019. Original rule filed Oct. 31, 2018, effective May 30, 2019. Emergency amendment filed Oct. 30, 2019, effective Jan. 1, 2020, expired June 28, 2020. Amended: Filed Oct. 30, 2019, effective May 30, 2020. Emergency amendment filed Oct. 26, 2020, effective Jan. 1, 2021, expires June 29, 2021. An emergency amendment and a proposed amendment covering this same material will be published in the Dec. 1, 2020 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.