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

EMERGENCY AMENDMENT

22 CSR 10-2.053 Health Savings Account Plan Benefit Provisions and Covered Charges. The Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan is amending section (3), adding section (10), and renumbering as necessary.

PURPOSE: This emergency amendment revises the out-of-pocket maximum for individual family members and 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.

(3) Out-of-pocket maximum.

(A) The family out-of-pocket maximum applies when two (2) or more family members are covered. The family out-of-pocket maximum must be met before the plan begins to pay one hundred percent (100%) of all covered charges for any covered family member. Out-of-pocket maximums are per calendar year, as follows:

1. Network out-of-pocket maximum for individual—four thousand nine hundred fifty dollars (\$4,950);
2. Network out-of-pocket maximum for family—nine thousand nine hundred dollars (\$9,900). Any individual family member need only incur a maximum of *[eight thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$8,150)]* **eight thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$8,550)** before the plan begins paying one hundred percent (100%) of covered charges for that individual;
3. Non-network out-of-pocket maximum for individual—nine thousand nine hundred dollars (\$9,900); and
4. Non-network out-of-pocket maximum for family—nineteen thousand eight hundred dollars (\$19,800).

(10) Virtual visits offered through the vendor's telehealth tool are covered at one hundred percent (100%).

[(10)](11) Newborn's claims will be subject to deductible and coinsurance.

[(11)](12) Married, active employees who are MCHCP subscribers and have enrolled children may meet only one (1) family deductible and out-of-pocket maximum. Both spouses must enroll in the same medical plan option through the same carrier, and each must provide the other spouse's Social Security number (SSN) and report the other spouse as eligible for coverage when newly hired and during the open enrollment process. In the medical plan vendor and pharmacy benefit manager system, the spouse with children enrolled will be considered the subscriber and the spouse that does not have children enrolled will be considered a dependent. If both spouses have children enrolled the spouse with the higher Social Security number (SSN) will be considered the subscriber. Failure to report an active employee spouse when newly hired and/or during open enrollment will result in a separate deductible and out-of-pocket maximum for both active employees.

[(12)](13) Each subscriber will have access to payment information of the family unit only when authorization is granted by the adult covered dependent(s).

[(13)](14) Expenses toward the deductible and out-of-pocket maximum will be transferred if the member changes non-Medicare medical plans or continues enrollment under another subscriber's non-Medicare medical plan within the same plan year.

[(14)](15) Maximum plan payment—Non-network medical claims that are not otherwise subject to a contractual discount arrangement are processed at one hundred ten percent (110%) of Medicare reimbursement for non-network professional claims and following the claims administrator's standard practice for non-network facility claims. Members may be held liable for the amount of the fee above the allowed amount.

[(15)](16) Any claim must be initially submitted within twelve (12) months following the date of service, unless otherwise specified in the network provider contract. The plan reserves the right to deny claims not timely filed. A provider initiated correction to the originally filed claim must be submitted within the timeframe agreed in the provider contract, but not to exceed three hundred sixty-five (365) days from adjudication of the originally filed claim. Any claims reprocessed as primary based on action taken by Medicare or Medicaid must be initiated within three (3) years of the claim being incurred.

[(16)](17) For a member who is an inpatient on the last calendar day of a plan year and remains an inpatient into the next plan year, the prior plan year's applicable deductible and/or coinsurance amounts will apply to the in-hospital facility and related ancillary charges until the member is discharged.

[(17)](18) Services performed in a country other than the United States may be covered if the service is included in 22 CSR 10-2.055. Emergency and urgent care services are covered as a network benefit. All other non-emergency services are covered as determined by the claims administrator. If the service is provided by a non-network provider, the member may be required to provide payment to the provider and then file a claim for reimbursement subject to timely filing limits.

[(18)](19) An active employee subscriber does not qualify for the

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HSA Plan if s/he is claimed as a dependent on another person's tax return or, except for the plans listed in section (20) of this rule, is covered under or enrolled in any other health plan that is not a high deductible health plan, including, but not limited to, the following types of insurance plans or programs:

(A) Medicare (unless Medicare is secondary coverage to MCHCP);

(B) TRICARE;

(C) A health care flexible spending account (FSA), with the exception of participation in the premium-only, limited-purpose health FSA, and dependent care section;

(D) Health reimbursement account (HRA); or

(E) If the member has received medical benefits from The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) at any time during the previous three (3) months, unless the medical benefits received consist solely of disregarded coverage or preventive care.

[(19)](20) If an active employee subscriber and/or his/her dependent(s) is enrolled in the HSA Plan and becomes ineligible for the HSA Plan during the plan year, the subscriber and/or his/her dependent(s) will be enrolled in the PPO 1250 Plan. The subscriber may enroll in a different non-HSA Plan within thirty-one (31) days of notice from MCHCP.

[(20)](21) A subscriber may qualify for this plan even if s/he is covered by any of the following:

(A) Drug discount card;

(B) Accident insurance;

(C) Disability insurance;

(D) Dental insurance;

(E) Vision insurance; or

(F) Long-term care insurance.

[(21)](22) Health Savings Account (HSA) Contributions.

(A) To receive contributions from MCHCP, the subscriber must be an active employee and HSA eligible as defined in the Internal Revenue Service Publication 969 on the date the contribution is made and open an HSA with the bank designated by MCHCP.

1. Subscribers who enroll in the HSA Plan during open enrollment who have a balance in a health care FSA on January 1 of the new plan year cannot receive an HSA contribution from MCHCP until after the health care FSA grace period ends March 15.

(B) A new employee or subscriber electing coverage due to a life event or loss of employer-sponsored coverage with an effective date after the MCHCP contribution will receive an applicable prorated contribution. Unless a subscriber is eligible for a special enrollment period, a subscriber will not be able to voluntarily change his/her plan selection.

(C) A subscriber who moves from subscriber-only coverage to another coverage level with an effective date after the MCHCP contribution will receive an applicable prorated contribution based on the increased level of coverage.

(D) If a subscriber moves from another coverage level to subscriber-only coverage, cancels all coverage, or MCHCP terminates coverage and has received an HSA contribution, MCHCP will not request a re-payment of the contribution.

(E) If both spouses are state employees covered by MCHCP and they both enroll in an HSA Plan, they must each have a separate HSA. The maximum contribution MCHCP will make for the family is six hundred dollars (\$600) regardless of the number of HSAs or the number of children covered under the HSA Plan for either parent. MCHCP will consider married state employees as one (1) family and will not make two (2) family contributions to both spouses or one (1) family contribution and one (1) individual contribution. MCHCP will make a maximum three hundred dollar (\$300) contribution to each spouse to total a maximum of six hundred dollars (\$600).

(F) The MCHCP contributions will be deposited into the subscriber's HSA as follows:

1. The January deposit will be made on the third Monday of the month, or the first working day after the third Monday if the third Monday is a holiday;

2. The April deposit will be made on the first Monday in April; and

3. Other deposits will be made on the first Monday of the month in which coverage is effective, or the first working day after the first Monday of the month coverage is effective if the first Monday is a state holiday.

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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 emergency is effective.