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To: Coordinated care organizations

From: Dave Inbody, CCO Operations director

Subject: Notice of enrollment effective date for temporary medical assistance categories

This communication is regarding Section 1.3 in the General Provisions of the [2023](#) coordinated care organization (CCO) contract. This section refers to Enrolled Oregon House Bill [4035](#) (2022) relating to a bridge program to provide affordable health insurance coverage for individuals who regularly enroll and disenroll in the Oregon Health Plan (OHP).

In order to preserve the OHP benefits for these individuals while OHA seeks federal approval for the bridge program, OHA will enroll them in temporary medical assistance categories. These temporary medical assistance categories are sometimes referred to as “bridge to the bridge.”

Section 1.3 requires OHA to provide at least 30 days’ advance notice, if possible, of the enrollment effective date for the temporary medical assistance categories. OHA received federal approval to proceed with the temporary medical assistance categories yesterday, April 20, 2023. OHA has determined that the first date an individual could be enrolled in a temporary medical assistance category is May 1, 2023. The earliest date that such future enrollment would be reflected in a CCO’s enrollment data file was April 4, 2023.

OHA previously provided CCOs with a “crosswalk” [file](#) that identifies the temporary medical assistance categories in the enrollment data file. The file is posted on the OHP Encounter Data information [webpage](#) and will be updated from time to time.

Questions?

If you have questions about this communication, please contact Cheryl Henning, CCO Contracts Administrator, at Cheryl.L.Henning@oha.oregon.gov.

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