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**Subject:** School-Based Medicaid COVID-19 Announcements (05/08/2020)

Dear School-Based Medicaid Program (SBMP) Providers,

MassHealth recently posted additional information to the SBMP COVID-19 section of the website, which can be accessed directly at [www.mass.gov/lists/sbmp-covid-19-updates](http://www.mass.gov/lists/sbmp-covid-19-updates) or by going to the SBMP homepage: [www.mass.gov/masshealth/schools](http://www.mass.gov/masshealth/schools) and clicking "SBMP COVID-19 Updates."

The information on the COVID-19 Updates section of the website, starting with the most recent, include:

- **New!** LEA instructions for submission of 90-Day Waiver requests relative to interim claims for which the billing process may have been delayed due to the state of emergency
- **New!** A link to information about the Lifeline program ([www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-a-discounted-communications-service-through-the-lifeline-program](http://www.mass.gov/how-to/apply-for-a-discounted-communications-service-through-the-lifeline-program)), including COVID-19 specific information ([www.mass.gov/doc/massachusetts-lifeline-providers-covid-response/download](http://www.mass.gov/doc/massachusetts-lifeline-providers-covid-response/download)). Lifeline is a federal program that provides free or low-cost phone or internet service to low-income households. In addition to MassHealth members, individuals eligible for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and other assistance programs can qualify for the benefit. We recommend all providers review this information.
- **Newly posted** (previously emailed) information about the voluntary self-audit program, including the updated deadline of May 31st
- Information regarding reimbursement for medically necessary MassHealth-covered services to MassHealth members via **telehealth**, including a Q&A and links to other MassHealth guidance
- Information regarding the temporary waiver of the RMTS participation requirement for LEAs

MassHealth will continue to keep the COVID-19 Updates website section current and notify you of updates via email. Please continue to check the webpage.

Thank you.

School-Based Medicaid Program