Immediate Action Required UHC Providers to Comply with Federal Law

Federal regulations (e.g., 42 CFR § 438.602) require that all UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts Health Plan network providers also contract with MassHealth. For those who do not already have a contract with MassHealth for the specific location, provider type, NPI, or tax ID for which you operate as a network provider for UnitedHealthcare, MassHealth has developed a specific provider contract for this purpose, called the MassHealth (MCE) Network-only Provider Contract. This specific provider contract does not require you to render services to MassHealth fee-for-service members.

If you received a notice from UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts, MassHealth and UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts have verified that you do not currently have in place a contract with MassHealth – i.e. you neither have in place a MassHealth Provider Contract (used by fully participating fee-for-service providers) nor a MassHealth Nonbilling Contract for Individuals (often used by ordering, referring and prescribing providers) for your location, provider type, NPI, or tax ID for which you operate as a network provider for UnitedHealthcare as described above. As a result, you must enter into a MassHealth Nonbilling MCE Network-only Provider Contract at this time.

If you have questions about this requirement or the correspondence received from UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts please contact UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts at 888-867-5511 or 1-877-790-6543, 8 a.m.–6 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday. Answers to common questions and instructions for submitting a contract may be found at: uhcprovider.com)

If you want to enroll as a MassHealth fully-participating provider instead of as a MassHealth nonbilling MCE Network-only provider, and therefore want to be able to provide services to MassHealth fee-for-service members, visit https://www.mass.gov/service-details/masshealth-provider-regulations to review information on MassHealth program participatory regulations and contact MassHealth Customer Service at 800-841-2900 or providersupport@mahealth.net. You may also contact MassHealth at the number above if you wish to enroll as an ordering, referring and prescribing provider instead of a MassHealth nonbilling MCE Network-only provider.

Failure to comply with this requirement within 30 days from receipt of correspondence from UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts may result in your termination as a UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts network provider.