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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

MCO Transmittal No. 175 Physician Transmittal No. 158 **Nurse Practitioner Transmittal No. 29** Obstetrician Transmittal No. 6 June 9, 2023

To: **Managed Care Organizations**

OBGYN, Pediatric, and Family Medicine Physicians

OBGYN, Pediatric, and Family Medicine Nurse Practitioners

Nurse Midwives

From: Tricia Roddy, Deputy Medicaid Director Jucia Roddy

Office of Health Care Financing

Re: Coverage of CenteringPregnancy Services Update

Note: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this memorandum.

This transmittal updates previous guidance provided by the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) in PT 30-23 Coverage of CenteringPregnancy and HealthySteps Services.

Effective January 1, 2024, a practice must be accredited or pending accreditation by the Centering Healthcare Institute (CHI) in order to be eligible for additional reimbursement for CenteringPregnancy services. This change will be reflected in the Professional Services Provider Manual Effective January 1, 2023, updated June 2023. This supersedes previous guidance stating a practice must be a licensed CenteringPregnancy location. Practices that are only licensed will no longer be eligible for the enhanced payment.

Guidance regarding updating ePREP profiles remains the same: To be eligible for additional reimbursement, all practices must be accredited or pending accreditation by the Centering Healthcare Institute (CHI). Both the group and each rendering provider will need to submit supplemental applications in ePREP.

This application should include both the CHI approval letter attesting to accreditation status as well as the CenteringPregnancy Addendum. This letter is provided by CHI to practices. Please refer to PT 30-23 for billing information. Additional resources may be viewed on the MDH Medicaid CenteringPregnancy Provider Information webpage.

Please direct questions regarding provider enrollment to mdh.providerenrollment@maryland.gov.