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### **Memorandum**

June 11, 2021

**To:** Provider Network

**From:** Eric Doeh, Interim CEO; and Stacie Durant, CFO

**Cc:** Dhannetta Brown, Deputy CFO; Melissa Moody, CCO; Manny Singla, Interim CNO

**Re:** **March 1 through June 30, 2021 - \$2.25/hr. DCW COVID-19 Premium Pay Instructions**

In accordance with Public Act 2 of 2021, the COVID 19 hazard pay will continue from **March 1 through September 30, 2021** for the same service codes for face-to-face services only, including on-site clinic-based settings however the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has included H2023 Supported Employment (not evidenced based) in the approved codes for the aforementioned affected dates of service. Note that telehealth is not eligible for premium pay.

In addition, the DCW hazard pay rate has increased to \$2.25/hr. and providers will receive 12% or \$.27/hr. to cover administrative costs. Consistent with the prior guidance, the premium pay must be paid in addition to the wage the direct care worker earned prior to March 31, 2020 and recorded separately from base pay on the paystub. For new direct care workers that began employment after March 30, 2020, the \$2.25/hr. would be in addition to their base wage.

In order to ensure timely payment, DWIHN will process payment for claims billed for the four months March 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 if received in MHWIN by **July 9, 2021**. Further communication will be shared with the network on a specific date of payment in July 2021. Any claims submitted subsequent to July 9, 2021, will be processed in a final "sweep" in early September 2021.

In regards to Substance Use Disorder providers that completed the template for the first DCW increase, DWIHN will utilize the same rates developed in the prior payment. Therefore, you **do not** need to submit a template unless the hours have changed significantly from the prior fiscal year.

Finally, as part of the July 2021 payment, DWIHN will also include a final "sweep" of all claims billed after April 2, 2021 whereby the DCW hazard pay was not paid out on April 20, 2021 for the two months of January and February 2021.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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