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To: Providers of Aetna Better Health of Michigan

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Subject: Medicaid, MICHild

Effective January 1, 2016, per bulletin number MSA 15-51, The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services converted the MICHild program to a Medicaid expansion program. This transition will provide increased benefits and improved access for beneficiaries. All Medicaid coverages and conditions will apply in accordance with current Medicaid policy and rates. There will be no gap in coverage in this transition. Members will no longer have to present their MICHild ID card. The Aetna Better Health of Michigan ID card is the only required card.

MICHild Medicaid beneficiaries will still get almost all of the services they were receiving in the MICHild program in addition to these new services:

- Non-Emergency Medical Transportation
- Expanded hearing related services
- Podiatry services
- Expanded nursing facility services
- Some school-based services (e.g. physical and speech therapy for eligible individuals)
- Expanded benefits for pregnant women and infants (Maternal Infant Health Program)
- Home help services
- Expanded well child benefits (include EPSDT and Vaccines for Children (VFC))

Acupuncture is no longer a covered service. Vision services will be limited to one routine eye examination every two years.

If you have any questions regarding the new program please contact your Provider Relations Liaison at (866) 874-2607.

Thank you for your ongoing care of our members.