

MEDICAID POLICY INFORMATION SHEET

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Initial

Public Comment

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Brief description of policy:

This policy applies the Medicaid divestment penalty to the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).

Reason for policy (problem being addressed):

To avoid individuals incorrectly transferring their assets for less than fair market value to qualify for Medicaid to enroll in PACE.

Budget implication:

budget neutral

will cost MDHHS \$, and (select one) budgeted in current appropriation

will save MDHHS \$

Is this policy change mandated per federal requirements?

No

Does policy have operational implications on other parts of MDHHS?

No

Does policy have operational implications on other departments?

No

Summary of input:

controversial

acceptable to most/all groups

limited public interest/comment

Supporting Documentation:

State Plan Amendment Required: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Public Notice Required: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Comments Due: April 21, 2020
Proposed Effective Date: July 1, 2020
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<p>Policy Subject: Financial Eligibility for the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)</p> <p>Affected Programs: Medicaid</p> <p>Distribution: Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) Holders, PACE Providers</p> <p>Summary: This policy applies the Medicaid divestment penalty to PACE.</p> <p>Purpose: To avoid individuals incorrectly transferring their assets for less than fair market value to qualify for Medicaid and enroll in PACE.</p> <p>Cost Implications: Budget neutral</p> <p>Potential Hearings & Appeal Issues:</p>

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Proposed Policy Draft

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
Medical Services Administration

Distribution: Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) Holders, Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) Providers

Issued: June 1, 2020 (Proposed)

Subject: Financial Eligibility for PACE

Effective: July 1, 2020 (Proposed)

Programs Affected: Medicaid

Effective July 1, 2020, PACE will apply the Medicaid divestment policy to applicants and participants in PACE as permitted under Section 1917(c)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act. Medicaid divestment policy is found in BEM 405, MA Divestment.

As defined in BEM 405, divestment is the transfer of resources within a specific timeframe (called the lookback period) and the transfer is for less than fair market value. Under Medicaid divestment policy, the Medicaid program will not pay for long-term care (LTC) services, home and community-based services, home help, or home health during a divestment penalty period.