



Office of
Medical Assistance

John R. Kasich, Governor
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Subject: New Medicaid Managed Care Program Delayed until July 1, 2013

Notice

As a result of a lawsuit challenging the selection of plans for the new Medicaid managed care program, the operation of the program is being delayed until July 1, 2013. Following the trial court's dismissal of the lawsuit, the court of appeals has permitted the State to move forward with working on implementation of the new program and finalizing (but not yet signing) the provider agreements with the selected managed care plans.

The Office of Medical Assistance (OMA) will use this additional time to continue its work with families and stakeholders to achieve a smooth implementation. Additionally, we are focused on ensuring that beneficiaries' expectations and needs are fully understood and being met. We anticipate that Medicaid beneficiaries who are affected by the new program will begin seeing enrollment notices in March 2013.

For additional information or to express any concerns please e-mail BMHC@jfs.ohio.gov.

Sincerely,

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