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MMHP goals

The Mid-Michigan Health Plan (MMHP) Advisory Board has developed goals, which include identifying and targeting venues for prevention and education and exploring the development of expectations for behavioral change into a policy for Plan B members. We are attempting to reach these goals by:

- Asking newly enrolled clients in Plan B to fill out a MMHP Health Questionnaire, which includes behavior questions and asks the client to indicate if they are interested in improving their health (food intake, physical activity, and/or tobacco use). A nurse will meet with the client to review the questionnaire, answer any questions and provide health education in areas that the client is interested in improving.
- Asking clients to fill out an annual MMHP Survey upon redetermination, which will be mailed with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to be returned to MMDHD. A nurse will review the survey and contact the client to offer education and referrals to address any needs identified by the questionnaire.



Specialty care health providers needed

The Mid-Michigan Health Plan Network of Primary Care Physicians works diligently to provide a continuum of care at their offices. However, it occasionally becomes necessary to enlist the services of a specialist, such as ear, nose and throat, cardiology, rheumatology, dermatology, and neurology. Currently, services from specialists are particularly difficult to secure. We commend the offices that routinely accept the majority of our referrals, but they cannot do it alone.

The MMHP would like to partner with all specialists in an effort to see that each of MMHP members. This approach will spread the responsibility of caring for the clients among all the specialty practices in the area. The cost we all pay by not providing access to health care services will have a negative and costly long-term impact.

A heartfelt thanks to all the medical practices, clinics, urgent care facilities, and our local hospitals for their willingness to participate in the MMHP. We could not do this without their willingness to partner to ensure equitable access to health care to the individuals living in our community.

If you would like to participate with the MMHP or have ideas on how to improve specialty participation, please contact Andrea Tabor, Mid-Michigan District Health Department Community Health and Education Division Director, at 989-831-3609 or atabor@mmdhd.org.

HELPFUL NUMBERS

Billing: 517-887-4436 or 866-715-3702, option 2
Ingham County Advantage: 866-291-8691, option 8
Member Services: 517-887-4465 or 866-291-8691
Provider Services: 517-887-4502 or 866-715-3702.

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Mid-Michigan Health Plan is to act as a vehicle to provide access to organized systems of health care and to improve the health status of uninsured persons in Clinton, Gratiot, Ionia and Montcalm Counties.

Recent enrollment numbers

Enrollment totals for the Mid-Michigan Health Plan as of June 2007 are as follows:

Plan A: 617 clients enrolled

Plan B: 696 clients enrolled

Prescription Discount Program: 2,592 clients



Enrollment by gender and plan

Enrollment totals for the Mid-Michigan Health Plan as of June 2007 are as follows:

	Plan A Adult Benefits Waiver Program Enrollees	Plan B Uninsured Enrollees	TOTAL Breakdown by gender
Male	315	238	553
Female	302	458	760
Total Actives	617	696	1,313

Enrollment by age

AGE	0-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-66	Over 64	TOTAL
Plan A	0	142	86	213	175	1	617
Plan B	3	132	149	209	195	8	696

Thank you, MMHP

Here's what some MMHP clients had to say about the program and the care they received:

"I am very grateful and thankful to finally receive health care. Having this insurance is going to be a lifesaver for me."

"Wow! I can't believe how nice and helpful everyone is here. I got in right away and was treated wonderfully!"

"With the help of the MMHP I will be able to receive the medical care I need to keep my illness stable. Thanks so much for this opportunity!"

You provide a great service. It's helpful to know you are here to help others in time of need."

MMHP advisory board

Community leaders serving on the MMHP-IHP

Advisory Board include:

Jan Baszler, Director, Michigan Department of Human Services

Edward Bruun, President and CEO, Clinton Memorial Hospital

Donald Burns, President, Montcalm Community College

Tom Hazlewood, Vice President, EightCAP

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Aging

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