On or before June 30, 2020, the Department of Public Health and Human Services will submit the CHIP/HMK Services State Plan Amendment for approval to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, effective retroactively to October 24, 2019.

The CHIP/HMK State Plan will be amended for a retroactive effective date to affirm the HMK Program fulfills the requirements of the federal SUPPORT Act and covers:

- comprehensive behavioral health services in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner;
- developmental and behavioral health screens in accordance with the American Academy of Pediatrics Bright Futures guidelines and the A and B rated screens within the guidelines of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;
- validated clinical assessment tools for members experiencing behavioral health issues; and
- Medication Assisted Treatment for opioid abuse disorder and tobacco cessation treatment.

The amendment’s total estimated annual fiscal impact is $70,000.

We invite your comments and questions postmarked through May 22, 2020. You may direct comments to Mary Eve Kulawik, Medicaid State Plan Amendment and Waiver Coordinator, at (406) 444-2584 or mkulawik@mt.gov; or Director’s Office, PO Box 4210, Helena, MT 59604-4210.