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TO: Contracted Medicaid Managed Care Plans
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SUBJECT: Coverage of Insulin Pumps

The Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) revised Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 5160-10-29 “DMEPOS: insulin pumps” in July 2018. During this process, ODM inadvertently overlooked removing the restriction for individuals with Type 2 diabetes to have coverage of insulin pumps. As written today, the rule states that coverage for insulin pumps is for individuals with Type 1 diabetes but is contraindicated for individuals with Type 2 diabetes. ODM acknowledges that this language change was an oversight and that Medicaid managed care and MyCare Ohio plans may have denied coverage to individuals based on the final filed rule.

ODM is currently working to correct this oversight and refile OAC rule 5160-10-29. The anticipated effective date of the revised rule is July 1, 2020, and the restriction on individuals with Type 2 diabetes (currently found in paragraph (C)(1)(a) of the rule) will be removed. When revised, OAC rule 5160-10-29 will allow coverage of insulin pumps for individuals with Type 1 diabetes or insulin-dependent Type 2 diabetes.

Effective immediately, ODM will not deny coverage of insulin pumps for individuals with Type 2 diabetes that are insulin-dependent, thus Medicaid managed care and MyCare Ohio plans shall not deny coverage of insulin pumps for individuals with Type 2 diabetes that are insulin-dependent.