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MISSISSIPPI INSURANCE DEPARTMENT BULLETIN 2021-3

TO:

ALL ISSUERS OF SINGLE RISK POOL INDIVIDUAL AND

SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSUANCE PRODUCTS AND

STAND-ALONE DENTAL PLANS IN MISSISSIPPI

FROM:

MIKE CHANEY

COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

DATE:

March 30, 2021

SUBJECT:

FORM AND RATE FILING GUIDANCE FOR INDIVIDUAL,

SMALL GROUP, AND STAND-ALONE DENTAL PLANS IN

MISSISSIPPI

I. Purpose

This bulletin provides further guidance for filers of individual, small group, and stand-alone dental plans (SADP), offered inside and outside of (or both) the Federally-Facilitated Marketplace (FFM), that wish to issue or renew plans in Plan Year 2022.

II. 2022 Plan Year Filing Deadlines

In accordance with the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Timing and Submission and Posting of Rate Filing Justifications for 2022 Filing Year for Single Risk Pool Coverage, Issuers in a State with an Effective Rate Review Program must submit proposed rate filings for single risk pool coverage (both QHPs and non-QHPs) by a date set by the State, as long as the date is not later than July 21, 2021.

III. Filing Process

Plan and rate filings for applicable products should be made via the System for Electronic Rate and Form Filing (SERFF), with form filings submitted no later than May 19, 2021 and rate filings



no later than July 2, 2021. Rate filings are expected to comply with the submission requirements outline in MID Bulletin 2011-7. Issuers seeking to offer Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) through the FFM must also follow the QHP certification process outlined in the 2021 HHS Letter to Issuers and related guidance. In accordance with these rules, QHP applications must be submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) via the Health Insurance Oversight System (HIOS) by June 12, 2021.

Please note that companies are encouraged to submit their filings with the Mississippi Insurance Department (MID) in advance of the dates outlined in this Bulletin. Companies that wait until the deadlines need to understand their filing could fall into a compressed review timeline. Many times during MID's review, companies are asked to respond to questions as well as provide additional information. If the companies are not able to provide the additional information in a timely manner, they run the risk of MID's review of their filing not being completed before the HIOS deadline of July 21, 2021.

Please direct any questions to the Life and Health Actuarial Division at 601-359-2012.

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Commissioner Mike Chaney