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To: All Providers**Subject: Designated Out-of-State Cities****Cities Exempt from Prior Authorization**

Indiana Administrative Code (405 IAC 5-5-2) lists the following as designated cities that are exempt from the out-of-state prior authorization (PA) rules:

- Danville, Illinois
- Watseka, Illinois
- Louisville, Kentucky
- Owensboro, Kentucky
- Sturgis, Michigan
- Cincinnati, Ohio
- Hamilton, Ohio
- Harrison, Ohio
- Oxford, Ohio

Effective July 1, 2006, a policy change was implemented adding the city of Chicago, Illinois to this list of designated out-of-state cities thereby removing the requirement for out-of-state prior authorization. Chicago medical providers will still need to follow the same prior authorization rules as in-state providers for all members in the *Medicaid Select* and Traditional Medicaid programs. Providers can reference *the IHCP Provider Manual, Chapter 6: Prior Authorization* for information regarding the prior authorization process. This change will include all active providers with locations in the ZIP Codes of 606XX, 607XX, and 608XX.

Effective January 5, 2007, this change will be implemented. The provider records for active providers in these ZIP Codes will be updated in *IndianaAIM* to reflect this change.

Out-of-state Primary Medical Providers and Auto-assignment

Effective January 1, 2007, primary medical providers (PMP) who have PMP service locations in the designated out-of-state counties will be eligible to receive new Hoosier Healthwise - Risk Based Managed Care (RBMC) members through the auto-assignment process, in addition to members that they may receive through member self selection. Prior to January 1, 2007, the designated out-of-state PMPs received RBMC members only through member self selection. Out-of-state PMPs in other areas will continue to receive self selections only.

Contact Information

Providers with questions about this bulletin should contact Customer Assistance at (317) 347-4511 in the Indianapolis local area, or toll free at 1-800-457-4518.

Providers with questions about Medicaid authorization should contact the HCE Prior Authorization Unit at (317) 347-4511 in the Indianapolis local area, or toll free at 1-800-457-4518.