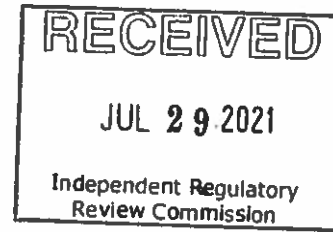




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July 26, 2021

Department of Human Services  
Office of Medical Assistance Programs  
c/o Regulations Coordinator  
625 Forster Street, Room 515, Health and Welfare Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120,  
Via Electronic Mail

Re: PHA Comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Interrelationship of Providers

Dear Regulations Coordinator:

On behalf of the Pennsylvania Homecare Association (PHA) and our nearly 700 home-based care provider members, I write to you in support of the proposed rulemaking that was published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on Saturday, June 26, 2021. As you know, Title 55, § 1101.51(c)(3) of the PA Code, currently restricts co-locating providers from enrolling in the MA Program.

Providers across the health care continuum are investing in new care models and introducing new patient-centered service offerings. They are increasingly co-locating services with other health care providers in order to offer a comprehensive range of medical services and better meet patient needs. Rescinding this provision will help stakeholders provide more coordinated, cost-effective and patient-centered care and will help Pennsylvania's Medical Assistance (MA) program better serve MA beneficiaries.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Teri L. Henning'.

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