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Senate Committee on Ways and Means  
State House, Room 212  
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Chair, Aaron Michlewitz  
House Committee on Ways and Means  
State House, Room 243  
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Senate Chair, Cindy Friedman  
Joint Committee on Health Care Financing  
State House, Room 313  
Boston, MA 02133

House Chair, John Lawn Jr.  
Joint Committee on Health Care Financing  
State House, Room 236  
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Chairs Rodrigues, Michlewitz, Friedman, and Lawn,

Enclosed is the Legislative Report for the Children's Medical Security Plan (CMSP) for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2026. The report covers July 1, 2025– September 30, 2025.

The information provided in the report includes the same data provided in the past (such as eligibility and program expenditures).

At the end of the first quarter of FY 2026, there were 79,633 children eligible for CMSP. CMSP eligibility does not indicate that an eligible member is using CMSP services. Additional information on CMSP utilization can be found in the below report.

Please feel free to contact Sarah Nordberg-Dunlea at [Sarah.Nordberg@mass.gov](mailto:Sarah.Nordberg@mass.gov) should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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## Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

### The Children's Medical Security Plan Legislative Report

#### FY 2026– FIRST QUARTER

Reporting Period July 1, 2025– September 30, 2025

The Children's Medical Security Plan provides access to primary and preventive health care services for certain children and adolescents. Children from birth to age 18 are eligible for CMSP provided they are not eligible for other MassHealth benefits (except MassHealth Limited), and provided that they are not otherwise insured.

Effective January 1, 2025, enrollee premiums were set at zero for those enrollees whose income is up to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), and premiums are set via a sliding scale for enrollees with incomes greater than 300% of the FPL. In addition, all copayments were eliminated for CMSP members effective January 1, 2025.

#### Enrollment Demographics

At the end of the first quarter of FY 2026, there were 79,633 children eligible for CMSP. CMSP eligibility does not indicate that an eligible member is using CMSP services. Additional information on CMSP utilization can be found below.

| Month          | Month-End Eligibility |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| July 2025      | 81,110                |
| August 2025    | 79,982                |
| September 2025 | 79,633                |

**NOTE:** It has been observed that membership has been in a gradual and steady decline since January 2025, which began the year with a membership of 88,667, and 22% of members with services rendered. To date, membership as shown above is at 79,633, with approximately 13% of members with services rendered.

The following is a breakdown of spending for CMSP for the first quarter of FY 2026.

| Fiscal Year 2026 – First Quarter – CMSP Spending by Type of Service |                |              |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------|
| Month                                                               | Medical Claims |              |          |
|                                                                     | Amt Paid       | Member Count | # Claims |
|                                                                     |                |              |          |

|                |                    |               |                |
|----------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|
| July 2025      | \$2,727,979        | 9,014         | 35,643         |
| August 2025    | \$3,020,625        | 9,711         | 40,892         |
| September 2025 | \$3,719,852        | 10,513        | 45,944         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$9,468,456</b> | <b>29,238</b> | <b>122,479</b> |

| <b>Month</b>   | <b>Dental Claims</b> |                     |                 |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
|                | <b>Amt Paid</b>      | <b>Member Count</b> | <b># Claims</b> |
| July 2025      | \$1,327,172          | 4,284               | 24,095          |
| August 2025    | \$1,191,494          | 3,848               | 21,964          |
| September 2025 | \$406,794            | 1,442               | 7,854           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$2,925,460</b>   | <b>9,574</b>        | <b>53,913</b>   |

| <b>Month</b>   | <b>Pharmacy</b>  |                     |                 |
|----------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
|                | <b>Amt Paid</b>  | <b>Member Count</b> | <b># Claims</b> |
| July 2025      | \$95,960         | 1,819               | 4,474           |
| August 2025    | \$93,609         | 1,641               | 4,194           |
| September 2025 | \$81,794         | 1,590               | 3,817           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$271,363</b> | <b>5,050</b>        | <b>12,485</b>   |

### **Total Expenditures**

The number of claims filed for CMSP for the first quarter of Fiscal Year FY 2026 totaled 188,877. There were 122,479 medical claims, 53,913 dental claims, and 12,485 pharmacy claims filed during the first quarter of the fiscal year. Total expenditures for the first quarter of the Fiscal Year 2026 were \$12,665,279.