



# Montana Healthcare Programs Provider Notice

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**Informational**

### All Providers

## Resuming Payments to Previously Prohibited Entities Under H.R. 1, Section 71113

In response to H.R. 1, Section 71113, which was enacted on July 4, 2025, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) suspended federal Medicaid payments to certain “prohibited entities” for services rendered with dates of service on or after July 4, 2025.

Section 71113, which is entitled “Federal Payments to Prohibited Entities,” reads as follows:

“No Federal funds that are considered direct spending and provided to carry out a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security Act or a waiver of such a plan shall be used to make payments to a prohibited entity for items and services furnished during the 1-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act, including any payments made directly to the prohibited entity or under a contract or other arrangement between a State and a covered organization.”

The one-year restriction on federal payments to “Prohibited Entities” under Section 71113 of H.R. 1 is no longer in effect. Therefore, consistent with the time period specified in Section 71113, Montana DPHHS will resume standard claims processing for covered services for dates of service on or after July 4, 2026, for affected providers.

### Contact and Website Information

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email [Montana Provider Relations Helpdesk](#).

Visit the [Montana Healthcare Programs Provider Information website](#) to access your provider type page. Choose Resources by Provider Type in the left-hand menu.

Visit the [Contact Us page](#) on the Provider Information website for additional DPHHS contact numbers.