

Policy/Procedure Title: Notification of Termination of HealthWest Programs/Services and Contracted Providers	Policy and Procedure #: 10-002	Review Dates
Subject: To establish procedures for the written notification of the termination of a HealthWest program/service and/or a contracted provider to each individual who received his/her services from that provider on a regular basis, as well as notifying other Agency Network contracted providers. To establish procedures for the notification of Agency staff in the event of termination of a contracted provider.	Prepared by: Name: Jackie Farrar Title: Manager of Procurement and Provider Network  Approved by:  Pocusigned by:  Rich Francisco, Executive Director  Effective Date: 10/1/2005	07/15/2025  Last Revised Date: 04/03/2024

## I. POLICY

HealthWest will assure individuals served by HealthWest, Agency staff, and other contracted providers are notified in a timely manner when provider contracts are terminated.

#### II. APPLICATION

HealthWest employees, individuals served by HealthWest, and contracted providers.

#### III. DEFINITIONS

"Regular Basis": When an individual served by HealthWest is seen at least once a month by a physician or a contracted provider and the frequency of contact is defined in that person's Individual Plan of Service.

### IV. <u>PROCEDURE</u>

- A. Upon termination of a HealthWest or contracted program/services, the following notification steps shall occur.
  - 1. The appropriate HealthWest clinical staff shall provide written notification of the termination of HealthWest program/services directly affecting individuals served. Notification shall be provided within five (5) days of receipt or issuance of the termination notice to the following:
    - a) HealthWest staff
    - b) Individuals receiving services
    - c) The Lakeshore Regional Entity (LRE)
    - d) Contracted Providers if directly affected by the program/service termination

- B. Upon termination of a contracted provider of services, the following steps shall occur:
  - 1. The Network Manager or Provider Network Specialist shall provide written notification/confirmation of contract termination to contracted providers (licensed independent practitioners and agencies).
  - 2. The Network Manager or Provider Network Specialist shall notify HealthWest staff and the LRE of contracted provider terminations within five (5) days of receipt or issuance of the termination notice.
  - 3. The appropriate HealthWest clinical staff shall provide written notification of the terminated contracted provider (licensed independent practitioners and agencies) to individuals who received services on a regular basis from that provider In accordance to the notice of adverse benefit guidelines.

# V. <u>REFERENCES</u>

42 CFR 438.10 (f) (5)

MDCH Contract 6.3.3

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