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**Important news about
Medicaid Managed Care
expansion in Illinois**

[LETTER_DATE]

Dear [HOC_NAME]:

Starting January 1, 2018, managed care in Illinois is expanding to include all counties statewide. The new, expanded Medicaid program is called **HealthChoice Illinois**. This means health plan choices in your area will change. The expansion does not change your Medicaid benefits.

What this means for you

You are currently enrolled with [PRIOR_DETAIL_NAME] for your long term care or waiver services, such as homemaker services. Because [PRIOR_DETAIL_NAME] is participating in **HealthChoice Illinois, you do not have to change health plans.**

Under the **HealthChoice Illinois** expansion, you can stay with [PRIOR_DETAIL_NAME] or you can choose a new health plan.

If you want to keep the health plan you have now

To keep your current health plan, you do not have to do anything at all! You will continue to work with [PRIOR_DETAIL_NAME] for all your long term care and waiver services.

With the expansion, you will receive a new member ID card and member handbook from [PRIOR_DETAIL_NAME] in the mail. Starting January 1, 2018, you will use your new member ID card to get your long term care or waiver services. Your member handbook has helpful information on co-pays, extra benefits and more. If you have questions, call the health plan's member services number on your new member ID card.

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Questions? Visit www.EnrollHFS.Illinois.gov or call **1-877-912-8880**
(TTY: 1-866-565-8576). The call is free!

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If you want to change your health plan

You can choose another health plan. Beginning January 1, 2018, **you will have 90 days to change your health plan for your long term care and waiver services.** If you want to change your health plan, you must change it **by March 31, 2018.** If you do not choose a new health plan by this date, you will stay in [PRIOR_DETAIL_NAME]. The next time you can change plans will be during your HealthChoice Illinois open enrollment period next year. We will send you a letter at that time.

You can choose from these health plans:

- [PLAN_NAME]
- [PLAN_NAME]
- [PLAN_NAME]

To learn about all of these health plans, go to our website at **www.EnrollHFS.illinois.gov**. Click on “Compare Plans.” Before you decide, you should ask your long term care or waiver service providers which health plans they will be in starting January 1, 2018. Your providers may not accept all of the health plans.

If you choose to change your health plan, you can do so by calling Client Enrollment Services at **1-877-912-8880** (TTY: 1-866-565-8576). Call Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. The call is free.

Remember: If you want to keep [PRIOR_DETAIL_NAME], you do not need to do anything at all.

You can also choose to join the Medicare-Medicaid Alignment program at any time. You do not need to wait for your HealthChoice Illinois open enrollment period to join. You can read more about this program below.

The Medicare-Medicaid Alignment Initiative (MMAI)

You can choose the Medicare-Medicaid Alignment Initiative (MMAI) instead of HealthChoice Illinois.

The MMAI program brings together all of your Medicare, Medicaid and prescription drug benefits into one health plan. Most MMAI health plans also offer extra benefits such as more dental care and lower prescription co-pays. All health plans have care coordination to manage all of your healthcare and long term care or waiver services.

You can enroll in the MMAI program at any time. To enroll in this program, call Client Enrollment Services at **1-877-912-8880** (TTY: 1-866-565-8576). Call Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. The call is free!

Thank you,
Illinois Client Enrollment Services

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