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To: LME-MCOs  
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Subject: Provider Contracts (Agency and LIP) and Appendices/Attachments

The purpose of this bulletin is to disseminate the combined DMA and DMH/DD/SAS Provider Agency and Licensed Independent Practitioner (LIP) contracts for the LME-MCOs to begin using immediately with providers. Per DMA Contract Section 7.8 *Written Agreements*, should another contract/appendix/attachment be used, it must be approved by DMA. We appreciate Cardinal Innovations Healthcare Solutions allowing us to use their attachments/appendices. One change (in both contracts) has been made in *Article III, Rights and Obligations of the LME/PIHP*, under *Authorization of Services*: item 7F: *For appeal information, please refer to the LME/PIHP Provider Operations Manual*. The contracts will also be posted on the DMA and DMH/DD/SAS websites.

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