Subject: Important Information for CPS Families Receiving Medicaid Benefits March 30, 2023

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\*\*IF YOUR FAMILY RECEIVES MEDICAID BENEFITS, PLEASE READ THIS MESSAGE IN ITS ENTIRETY\*\*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

At Chicago Public Schools, we take pride in helping to connect our families with important programs, services, and benefits, including reduced-cost health care benefits through Medicaid.

As you may have heard, the federal government will be ending the COVID-19 public health emergency this spring. During the public health emergency, families receiving Medicaid were automatically re-enrolled in the program. But now that the public health emergency is ending, families will again need to renew their Medicaid benefits starting this year. The State of Illinois will begin mailing out renewal forms starting in May 2023.

If your family currently receives Medicaid benefits, we strongly encourage you to make sure your contact information in the state's database is up-to-date so you can receive your renewal form.

Here's what you need to do now — Update your Medicaid contact information by completing the following steps:

- Visit\_abe.illinois.gov.
- Click "Manage My Case" to log in to your account.
- Verify and update your mailing address under "Contact Us."

OR, use the Report Medicaid Change of Address Form to quickly update your address.

Updating your address will ensure that you receive your renewal information on time. After that, watch your mail for your renewal form and complete the form within 30 days.

If you don't remember your login and password, or if you are currently not receiving Medicaid benefits and think you are eligible, call the Healthy CPS Hotline at 773-553-KIDS (5437) or fill out an <u>assistance request form</u> and a coordinator from the CPS Office of Student Health and Wellness will be happy to assist you.

CPS will continue to communicate with families throughout the spring, summer, and fall with important information about Medicaid renewal to ensure that everyone who is eligible for Medicaid can access these important health benefits.

If you have any questions, we strongly encourage you to call the Healthy CPS Hotline at 773-553-KIDS (5437) so we can provide you with the best possible guidance.

For more information about Medicaid renewal, please visit <a href="mailto:cps.edu/medicaid">cps.edu/medicaid</a>.

Thank you,

Chicago Public Schools