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June 24, 2024

Cristal Gary, CEO
Meridian Healthcare

RE: Meridian MMAI Untimely April 2024 Monthly Lock-In Program Report Submission Sanction

Dear Ms. Gary:

This letter serves as written notification to Meridian MMAI Health Plan ("Meridian MMAI") of sanction pursuant to Section 5.3.14.1.11 of the Contract for the Medicare and Medicaid Alignment Initiative between the Department of Health and Human Services, acting by and through the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the State of Illinois, acting by and through the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (Department) and Meridian MMAI.

Meridian MMAI failed to submit in SharePoint, its April 2024 Recipient Lock-In Program Report on or before the 10th calendar day of May 2024. Meridian MMAI submitted its April 2024 Recipient Lock-In Program Report into SharePoint on May 13, 2024. In addition, Meridian MMAI did not request an extension to the report due date. As such, the Department is sanctioning Meridian MMAI \$5,000. Meridian MMAI is to issue an electronic payment to the Department, by either ACH or Wire Transfer, no later than Friday, July 26, 2024. The electronic payment shall include the following fields for payment identification and tracking purposes by the Department:

ORIG CO NAME: Meridian Health Plan Inc
ORIG ID: [REDACTED]
ENTRY DESCR: this is to be left blank
ENTRY CLASS: CCD
TRACE NO: Bank Information
ENTRY DATE: yymmdd
IND ID NO: Bank Information
IND NAME: Meridian Health Plan Inc
REMARK: MMAI April 24 Lock-In Rpt
ORIG BANK: Bank Name

*The information highlighted in yellow is specific to the Department and payment detail requirements, and shall not be changed or modified by the MCO.

*The information in gray is the banking information.

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact your HFS Account Management team Keshonna Lones at Keshonna.Lones@illinois.gov, or Veronica Trimble at Veronica.A.Trimble@illinois.gov.

Sincerely,

Helena Lefkow, Deputy Administrator of Managed Care
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