Email Subject Line: **Federal Public Health Emergency Is Ending on May 11, 2023.**

Email Body headline: **The Federal Public Health Emergency Is Ending on May 11, 2023. Now what?**

<**Name**>,

On January 30, 2023, the Biden Administration announced that emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 pandemic would end on May 11, 2023. There are several coverage and cost-share waivers tied to the federal public health emergency affecting fully insured policies. State mandates may continue to be in place after the federal public health emergency ends.

We wanted to break down the top three things that we believe you should know.

1. **Relevant Q&A will be posted on our website no later than 3/31/2023.** <https://faqs.discoverhighmark.com/>

Our website will be updated with information for clients, members, and providers as we transition to a post public health emergency environment. Please continue to check back on this website for the most up to date information.

1. **Client questions.**

Please review the posted website FAQs on 3/31/2023 to see if your question has already been answered. If not, please forward your specific questions and I will reach out to the appropriate team for quick resolution.

1. **Impact to clients.**

Given our ongoing commitment to support our clients, members, and providers throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Highmark will be extending the following cost share waivers through May 31, 2023, to allow for an orderly transition:

* $0 COVID-19 vaccines
* $0 COVID-19 diagnostic and antibody testing
* $0 over-the-counter COVID-19 testing
* $0 related services to diagnose COVID-19 - office visit (in-person or telehealth), emergency room, or urgent care
* $0 prescription antiviral treatment

As of June 1, 2023, the services listed above will default to contractually covered benefits only, related member cost-sharing as set forth in the corresponding benefit contract, and medical policies, if applicable. To purchase over-the-counter COVID-19 tests, members will be able to use FSA or HSA spending account funds.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to with any questions.

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