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State Plan Amendments (SPA) #: WY-13-0010

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The complete title XXI state plan for Wyoming consists of the most recent state plan posted on Medicaid.gov under CHIP and State Plan Amendments. The link is provided below. The following approved templates are in addition to, or replace sections of the state's posted current state plan. The attached approval letter(s) explain how these templates fit into that state plan.

Link to state title XXI state plans and amendments: <http://medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Childrens-Health-Insurance-Program-CHIP/CHIP-State-Program-Information.html>

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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

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Ms. Susie Scott
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Dear Ms. Scott:

I am pleased to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has approved your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) state plan amendment (SPA) number WY-13-0010 submitted on February 12, 2014, with additional information provided on July 9, 2014. This SPA relates to Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) Eligibility and has an effective date of January 1, 2014.

The SPA number WY-13-0010 is approved to clarify the state's non-financial eligibility policies on residency, citizenship, social security numbers, substitution of coverage, and continuous eligibility. Copies of the approved state plan pages are attached and these approved pages supersede sections of Wyoming's current state plan as detailed below:

New State Plan Page	Impact on Current State Plan Section
CS17: Non-Financial Eligibility – Residency	Section 4.1.5
CS18: Non-Financial Eligibility – Citizenship	Section 4.1.0; 4.1-LR; 4.1.1-LR
CS19: Non-Financial Eligibility – Social Security Number	Section 4.1.9.1
CS20: Non-Financial Eligibility – Substitution of Coverage	Section 4.4.4
CS27: General Eligibility – Continuous Eligibility	Section 4.1.8

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Joyce Jordan. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related issues. Ms. Jordan's contact information is as follows:

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Congratulations on the approval. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff toward the approval of your remaining MAGI Eligibility SPAs. If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Kelly Whitener, Director, Division of State Coverage Programs at (410) 786-0719.

Sincerely,

/ Eliot Fishman/

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Director

Enclosure

cc:
Richard Allen, ARA, CMS Region VIII, Denver

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Summary

Children's Health Insurance Program Eligibility: Summary Page

State/Territory Wyoming

name: **Transmittal Number:**

Please enter the Transmittal Number (TN) in the format ST-YY-0000 where ST= the state abbreviation, YY = the last two digits of the submission year, and 0000 = a four digit number with leading zeros. The dashes must also be entered.

WY-13-0010

Type of SPA:

- MAGI Eligibility & Methods
- XXI Medicaid Expansion
- Establish 2101(f) Group
- Eligibility Processing
- Non-Financial Eligibility

Proposed Effective Date

01/01/2014 (mm/dd/yyyy)

Federal Statute/Regulation Citation

Section 2102(b)(3)(C) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457.340(d)(3), 457.350(i) and 457.805

Federal Budget Impact

- This SPA has a budget impact.

Total budget impact:

State Funds: \$

Federal Funds: \$

Subject of Amendment

Please provide a brief summary of SPA changes.

Character Count: 896 out of 2000

The amendments specify the State's provision of CHIP to eligible residents, including residents who are absent from the state under certain conditions, including a pregnant CHIP enrollee although the State does not offer a CHIP Pregnant Women's Program. The amendments specify coverage begins the date

Signature of State Agency Official

Submitted By: Chris Bass

Last Revision Date: Jul 2, 2014

Date:

Submit Date: Feb 12, 2014

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CHIP Eligibility

OMB Control Number: 0938-1148

Expiration date: 10/31/2014

Separate Child Health Insurance Program
Non-Financial Eligibility - Residency

CS17

42 CFR 457.320

Residency

- The CHIP Agency provides CHIP to otherwise eligible residents of the state, including residents who are absent from the state under certain conditions.

A child is considered to be a resident of the state under the following conditions:

- A non-institutionalized child, if capable of indicating intent and who is emancipated or married, if the child is living in the state and:
 1. Intends to reside in the state, including without a fixed address, or
 2. Has entered the state with a job commitment or seeking employment, whether or not currently employed.
- A non-institutionalized child not described above and a child who is not a ward of the state:
 1. Residing in the state, with or without a fixed address, or
 2. The state of residency of the parent or caretaker, in accordance with 42 CFR.435.403(h)(1), with whom the individual resides.
- An institutionalized child, who is not a ward of the state, if the state is the state of residence of the child's custodial parent or caretaker at the time of placement, or
- A child who is a ward of the state regardless of where the child lives, or
- A child physically located in the state when there is a dispute with one or more states as to the child's actual state of residence.

If the state covers pregnant women, a pregnant woman is considered to be a resident under the following conditions:

- A non-institutionalized pregnant woman who is living in the state and:
 1. Intends to reside in the state, including without a fixed address, or if incapable of indicating intent, is living in the state, or
 2. Entered with a job commitment or seeking employment, whether or not currently employed.
- An institutionalized pregnant woman placed in an out-of-state-institution, as defined in 42 CFR 435.1010, including foster care homes, by an agency of the state, or
- An institutionalized pregnant woman residing in an in-state-institution, as defined in 42 CFR 435.1010, whether or not the individual established residency in the state prior to entering the institution, or
- A pregnant woman physically located in the state when there is a dispute with one or more states as to the pregnant woman's actual state of residence.

The state has in place related to the residency of children and pregnant women (if covered by the state):

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CHIP Eligibility

One or more interstate agreement(s). No

A policy related to individuals in the state only for educational purposes. No

PRA Disclosure Statement

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CHIP Eligibility

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Separate Child Health Insurance Program
Non-Financial Eligibility - Citizenship **CS18**

Sections 2105(c)(9) and 2107(e)(1)(J) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457.320(b)(6), (c) and (d)

Citizenship

The CHIP Agency provides CHIP eligibility to otherwise eligible citizens and nationals of the United States and certain non-citizens, including the time period during which they are provided with reasonable opportunity to submit verification of their citizenship, national status or satisfactory immigration status.

The CHIP Agency provides eligibility under the Plan to otherwise eligible individuals:

Who are citizens or nationals of the United States; or

Who are qualified non-citizens as defined in section 431 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) (8 U.S.C. §1641), or whose eligibility is required by section 402(b) of PRWORA (8 U.S.C. §1612(b)) and is not prohibited by section 403 of PRWORA (8 U.S.C. §1613); or

Who have declared themselves to be citizens or nationals of the United States, or an individual having satisfactory immigration status, during a reasonable opportunity period pending verification of their citizenship, nationality, or satisfactory immigration status consistent with requirements of 1903(x), 1137(d), and 1902(ee) of the Act, and 42 CFR 435.406, 407, 956 and 457.380 .

The reasonable opportunity period begins on and extends 90 days from the date the notice of reasonable opportunity is received by the individual.

The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period if the individual is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistencies or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency needs more time to complete the verification process.

 No

The agency begins to furnish benefits to otherwise eligible individuals during the reasonable opportunity period on a date earlier than the date the notice is received by the individual.

 Yes

The date benefits are furnished is:

The date of application containing the declaration of citizenship or immigration status.

The date the reasonable opportunity notice is sent.

Other date, as described:

The CHIP Agency elects the option to provide CHIP coverage to otherwise eligible children up to age 19, lawfully residing in the United States, as provided in Section 2107(e)(1)(J) of the SSA (Section 214 of CHIPRA 2009, P.L. 111-3).

 No

The CHIP Agency elects the option to provide CHIP coverage to otherwise eligible pregnant women, lawfully residing in the United States, as provided in Section 214 of CHIPRA 2009, P.L. 111-3. The state may not select this option unless the state also elects to cover lawfully residing children. A state may not select this option unless the state also covers Targeted Low-Income Pregnant Women.

 No



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CHIP Eligibility

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**Separate Child Health Insurance Program
Non-Financial Eligibility - Social Security Number**

CS19

42 CFR 457.340(b)

Social Security Number

As a condition of eligibility, the CHIP Agency must require individuals who have a social security number or are eligible for one as determined by the Social Security Administration, to furnish their social security number, or numbers if they have more than one number.

- The CHIP Agency requires individuals, as a condition of eligibility, to furnish their social security number(s), with the following exceptions:

Individuals refusing to obtain a social security number (SSN) because of well established religious objections, or

Individuals who are not eligible for an SSN, or

Individuals who are issued an SSN only for a valid non-work purpose.

- The CHIP Agency assists individuals, who are required to provide their SSN, to apply for or obtain an SSN from the Social Security Administration if the individual does not have or forgot their SSN.

- The CHIP Agency informs individuals required to provide their SSN:

By what statutory authority the number is solicited; and

How the state will use the SSN.

- The CHIP Agency provides assurance that it will verify each SSN furnished by an applicant or beneficiary with the Social Security Administration, not deny or delay services to an otherwise eligible applicant pending issuance or verification of the individual's SSN by the Social Security Administration and that the state's utilization of the SSNs is consistent with sections 205 and 1137 of the Social Security Act and the Privacy Act of 1974.

The state may request non-applicant household members to voluntarily provide their SSN, if the state meets the requirements below.

The state requests non-applicant household members to voluntarily provide their SSN.

- When requesting an SSN for non-applicant household members, the state assures that:
 - At the time such SSN is requested, the state informs the non-applicant that this information is voluntary and provides information regarding how the SSN will be used; and
 - The state only uses the SSN for determination of eligibility for CHIP or other insurance affordability programs, or for a purpose directly connected with the administration of the state plan.

PRA Disclosure Statement



CHIP Eligibility

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CHIP Eligibility

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Separate Child Health Insurance Program Non-Financial Eligibility - Substitution of Coverage CS20

Section 2102(b)(3)(C) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457.340(d)(3), 457.350(i), and 457.805

Substitution of Coverage

- The CHIP Agency provides assurance that it has methods and policies in place to prevent the substitution of group health coverage or other commercial health insurance with public funded coverage. These policies include:

- Substitution of coverage prevention strategy:

	Name of policy	Description
+	Waiting Period	One month waiting period. X

A waiting period during which an individual is ineligible due to having dropped group health coverage.

How long is the waiting period?

- One month
- Two months
- 90 days
- Other

- The state allows exemptions from the waiting period for the following reasons:

- The premium paid by the family for coverage of the child under the group health plan exceeded 5 percent of household income.
- The child's parent is determined eligible for advance payment of the premium tax credit for enrollment in a QHP through the Marketplace because the ESI in which the family was enrolled is determined unaffordable in accordance with 26 CFR 1.36B-2(c)(3)(v).
- The cost of family coverage that includes the child exceeded 9.5 percent of the household income.
- The employer stopped offering coverage of dependents (or any coverage) under an employer-sponsored health insurance plan.
- A change in employment, including involuntary separation, resulted in the child's loss of employer-sponsored insurance (other than through full payment of the premium by the parent under COBRA).
- The child has special health care needs.
- The child lost coverage due to the death or divorce of a parent.

Does the state allow other exemptions in addition to those listed above?



CHIP Eligibility

	Describe	
+	Medicaid children who will transition to CHIP as a result of new income guidelines, and will be allowed to have other private insurance in addition to their Medicaid coverage, will not be required to observe the thirty day waiting period.	X

- Describe the processes the state employs to facilitate enrollment of CHIP-eligible children who have satisfied the waiting period.

Applicants who apply who have not met the one (1) month waiting period will have their application processed up to the point of being authorized but benefits not issued. This will be a pending status with an alert to terminate the pending status upon completion of the one (1) month waiting period. Upon termination of the pending status via a system alert the case will be issued benefits. The then active case name/number will be included in the interface file provided to the benefit and claims administrator.

- Describe the processes the state employs to coordinate coverage of children subject to a waiting period with other insurance affordability programs, including safeguards to prevent gaps in coverage for children transitioning from another insurance affordability program to CHIP after satisfying the waiting period.

Applications (either sent directly to the State, or referred from other insurance affordability programs to the CHIP agency) determined eligible for CHIP except for satisfying the waiting period will be placed in a pending status. For children who meet an exception to the waiting period or for whom a waiting period does not apply, the state will notify the other insurance affordability program (such as the FFM for QHP coverage) through an electronic account transfer of the date in which the individual is enrolled into the separate CHIP program. For children subject to a waiting period, the applicant status will change from a pending to active status upon completion of the waiting period, and the state will notify the other insurance affordability program of the start and end date through an electronic account transfer.

The state provides assurance that:

- It does not require a new application or the submission of information already provided by the family immediately preceding the waiting period for the purpose of enrolling CHIP-eligible children who have satisfied a waiting period.
- For children subject to the waiting period, it will promptly transfer each individual's electronic account to the applicable insurance affordability program and notify such program of the date on which the waiting period ends for each individual.

- If the state covers pregnant women, the waiting period does not apply to pregnant women.

If the state elects to offer dental only supplemental coverage, the following assurances apply:

- The other coverage exclusion does not apply to children who are otherwise eligible for dental only supplemental coverage as provided in section 2110(b)(5) of the SSA.
- The waiting period does not apply to children eligible for dental only supplemental coverage.

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CHIP Eligibility

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Separate Child Health Insurance Program General Eligibility - Continuous Eligibility

CS27

2105(a)(4)(A) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457.342 and 435.926

The CHIP Agency may provide that children who have been determined eligible under the state plan shall remain eligible, regardless of any changes in the family's circumstances, during a continuous eligibility period up to 12 months, or until the time the child reaches an age specified by the state (not to exceed age 19), whichever is earlier.

The CHIP Agency elects to provide continuous eligibility to children under this provision. Yes

For children up to age 19

For children up to age

The continuous eligibility period begins on the effective date of the child's most recent determination or redetermination of eligibility, and ends:

At the end of the months continuous eligibility period.

Exceptions to the continuous eligibility period:

The child attains the age specified by the state Agency or age 19.

The child or child's representative requests voluntary disenrollment.

The child is no longer a resident of the state.

The Agency determines that eligibility was erroneously granted at the most recent determination or renewal of eligibility because of Agency error or fraud, abuse, or perjury attributed to child or child's representative.

The child dies.

There is a failure to pay required premiums or enrollment fees on behalf of a child, as provided for in the state plan.

Other

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