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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

December 9, 2020

Todd Richardson, Director
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Dear Mr. Richardson:

Your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) state plan amendment (SPA) MO-20-0017 has been approved. Through this SPA, Missouri modifies two existing health services initiatives (HSIs): 1) Newborn Services, and 2) Screening, Diagnosis, and Education of Public Health Issues. This SPA expands the settings where these HSIs may be provided.

In addition, this SPA modifies the Screening, Diagnosis, and Education of Public Health Issues HSI to expand public health education campaigns and to support the response by local public health agencies (LPHAs) to communicable diseases that may affect children, including COVID-19. Currently, LPHAs may only provide public health education campaigns to children within schools. This SPA allows LPHAs to provide public health education outside of schools to broader audiences than children under 19; therefore the LPHAs must use a reasonable methodology to ensure that HSI funds used for public health education are claimed based on the portion of children under 19 in the community. Additionally, this SPA will also support contact tracing activities by LPHAs for communicable diseases in the community and provide screening and diagnosis services, including referrals for children under 19 who are not Medicaid eligible. MO-20-0017 has an effective date of July 1, 2019.

Section 2105(a)(1)(D)(ii) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and 42 CFR 457.10 authorize use of title XXI administrative funding for expenditures for HSIs under the plan for improving the health of children, including targeted low-income children and other low-income children. Consistent with section 2105(c)(6)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR Part 457.626, title XXI funds used to support an HSI cannot supplant Medicaid or other sources of federal funding.

The state shall ensure that the remaining title XXI funding, within the state's 10 percent administrative limit, is sufficient to continue the proper administration of the CHIP program. If such funds become less than sufficient, the state agrees to redirect title XXI funds from the support of these HSIs to the administration of the CHIP program. The state shall report annually to CMS the expenditures funded by these HSIs for each federal fiscal year.

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

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If you have additional questions, please contact Meg Barry, Acting Division Director, Division of State Coverage Programs, at (410) 786-1536. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

/Signed by Amy
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Amy Lutzky
Deputy Director

Missouri Application for the State Children's Health Insurance Program

- 1.4 Please provide the effective (date costs begin to be incurred) and implementation (date services begin to be provided) dates for this plan or plan amendment. (42 CFR 457.65)

Response:

Effective date (date State incurs costs):

Initial Combination SCHIP State Plan Submission, SPA #3: September 1, 2007
SPA #4: Disapproved December 19, 2008
SPA #5: Effective May 1, 2009
SPA #6: Effective July 1, 2009
SPA #7: Withdrawn June 29, 2011
SPA #8: Effective July 1, 2011
MO-15-0009-CHIP: Effective January 1, 2016
MO-15-0010: Effective January 1, 2016
MO-15-0011: Effective January 1, 2016
MO-17-002: Effective May 1, 2017
MO-18-0015: Effective July 1, 2017
MO-19-0014: Effective July 1, 2018
MO-20-0011: Effective March 1, 2020
MO-20-0015: Effective October 24, 2019
MO-20-0017: Effective July 1, 2019

Implementation date (date services begin):

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MO-20-0015: Effective October 24, 2019
MO-20-0017: Effective July 1, 2019

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Type of Coverage among Insured Missouri Children < 300% FPL

	Total	Insured	Health Insurance: Private Insurance	Health Insurance: Employment-Based Insurance
Totals	1,463,297	1,351,245	1,021,216	937,014
Below 100%	243,576	212,552	46,899	38,147
100% to below 200%	287,832	248,364	147,768	131,685
200% to below 300%	294,041	270,927	233,645	210,127
300% to below 400%	244,238	234,519	224,371	211,942
400% to below 500%	158,206	152,132	140,453	129,561
500% and above	235,404	232,751	228,080	215,552
Subtotal: < 300% FPL	825,449	731,843	428,312	379,959

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement, 2004 through 2006.

- 2.2 Health Services Initiatives-** Describe if the State will use the health services initiative option as allowed at **42 CFR 457.10**. If so, describe what services or programs the State is proposing to cover with administrative funds, including the cost of each program, and how it is currently funded (if applicable), also update the budget accordingly. (Section 2105(a)(1)(D)(ii)); (42 CFR 457.10)

Pursuant to Section 2105(a)(1)(D)(ii), Missouri will offer “Health Services Initiatives” under the plan. The Health Services Initiatives (HSI) will be activities for improving the health of children that are administered by Local Public Health Agencies (LPHAs) and funded by local and state funds. HSI funds will be the payor of last resort and when a service is eligible for reimbursement under Medicaid or another federal grant it will be billed to that grant. Local Public Health Agencies will not supplant or match CHIP federal funds with other federal funds, nor allow other federal funds to supplant or match CHIP federal funds. LPHAs will also be able to provide health education to audiences that may be broader than children under 19, but the LPHAs will ensure that HSI funds are only claimed based on the portion of children under the age of 19 in the community using a reasonable methodology.

Specific Health Services Initiatives may include the following programs:

1. Immunization programs

LPHAs provide a vital role in immunizing our children and promoting immunization among hard to reach families and communities. Immunization program costs are

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operational (staff related) costs only. The vaccines costs for CHIP 2 are funded through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program; therefore the costs of the vaccines are not included in the CHIP claiming. The immunization program costs claimed under CHIP are net of revenue obtained from billing Medicaid and other insurers for administrative costs. Children enrolled in CHIP 1 are not eligible for vaccines through the VFC program.

2. Lead testing and prevention programs

LPHAs are at the forefront of monitoring and managing lead poisoning among children up to the age of six. Lead program costs include educating families about lead poisoning, testing, and case management services. The lead related program costs claimed under CHIP are net of applicable credits.

3. Newborn programs

LPHAs offer a variety of services to newborns and their parents, including newborn care education and support to high risk families, and pre-natal care management. These services can be provided in health facilities, families' homes, and/or other settings. Clinical staff and other trained professionals provide a range of services to young families to ensure the healthy development of infants and toddlers.

4. Screening, Diagnosis and Education of Public Health Issues

LPHAs provide health related services to children under the age of 19 in a wide variety of settings, including health department facilities, schools, preschools, day care centers, churches, community centers, homes and other settings. Services include health education, screenings, diagnosis, maintenance of health records, basic nursing services and referrals as needed to other health care providers. These services are distinct and different from the services provided in schools as part of special education services authorized under IDEA.

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