



KAY IVEY
Governor

Alabama Medicaid Agency

501 Dexter Avenue
P.O. Box 5624
Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624
www.medicaid.alabama.gov
e-mail: almedicaid@medicaid.alabama.gov

Telecommunication for the Deaf: 1-800-253-0799
334-242-5000 1-800-362-1504



STEPHANIE MCGEE AZAR
Commissioner

May 30, 2018

Judith Cash
Director of the State Demonstration Group
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
Mail Stop: S2-01-16
7500 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

Dear Ms. Cash,

The Alabama Medicaid Agency respectfully requests the withdrawal of the State's approved Section 1115 Demonstration (Project Number 11-W-00299/4), effective July 1, 2018.

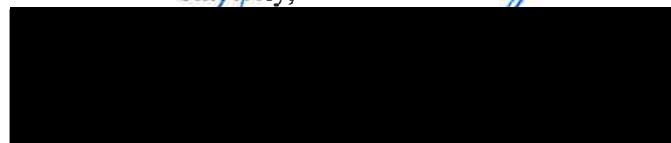
This action follows a July 27, 2017, public announcement by the State that work on the Demonstration was ending in favor of pursuing a more flexible alternative which builds off the Agency's current case management structure as a more cost-efficient mechanism to improve recipients' health outcomes.

Other reasons for this decision included state and federal funding uncertainties which had caused several probationary Regional Care Organizations to withdraw and changes in federal regulations for managed care that made the program less viable for the state.

The State appreciates the ongoing guidance and support from CMS and looks forward to working with you as we move forward to implement a new plan that will incentivize efficient delivery of high-quality healthcare services and improve health outcomes throughout the state.

If you have questions, please contact Dr. Robert Moon, Medicaid Chief Medical Officer and Deputy Commissioner for Health Systems. He may be reached at (334) 242-5619 or at robert.moon@medicaid.alabama.gov.

Sincerely,



Stephanie McGee Azar
Commissioner

Cc: Elizabeth Hill
Tonya Moore
Kimberly Howell
Emmett Ruff
Linda MacDonald



KAY IVEY
Governor

Alabama Medicaid Agency

501 Dexter Avenue
P.O. Box 5624
Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624
www.medicaid.alabama.gov
e-mail: almedicaid@medicaid.alabama.gov

Telecommunication for the Deaf: 1-800-253-0799
334-242-5000 1-800-362-1504



STEPHANIE MCGEE AZAR
Commissioner

May 25, 2018

Ms. Stephanie A. Bryan
Tribal Chairman
Poarch Band Indian Health Department
5811 Jack Springs Road
Atmore, Alabama 36502

91 7199 9991 7031 5526 5217

Dear Ms. Bryan,

As directed by the Tribal Consultation section 1902(a)(73) of the Social Security Act and Federal Regulation, this notice to the Tribal Government is hereby given for the anticipated withdrawal of the Alabama Medicaid Agency's approved Section 1115 Demonstration (Project Number 11-W-00299/4), effective July 1, 2018.

This action follows a July 27, 2017, public announcement by the State that work on the Demonstration was ending in favor of pursuing a more flexible alternative which builds off the Agency's current case management structure as a more cost-efficient mechanism to improve recipients' health outcomes.

Other reasons for this decision included state and federal funding uncertainties which had caused several probationary Regional Care Organizations to withdraw and changes in federal regulations for managed care that made the program less viable for the state.

The purpose of this notification is to allow you the opportunity to provide comments and/or relay any concerns you may have in relationship to the tribe. Please provide a written response regarding any such comments/concerns within 30 days from the date this letter is received by certified mail. Comments/concerns may be submitted to the attention of:

Carolyn Miller
Managed Care Division
Alabama Medicaid Agency
501 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 334-353-5539.

Sincerely,



Carolyn Miller
Health Systems Manager

Public Comment Sought for Section 1115 Demonstration Withdrawal Request

The Alabama Medicaid Agency is seeking public comment on its proposed request to withdraw the State's approved Section 1115 Demonstration (Project Number 11-W-00299/4) to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), effective July 1, 2018.

This action follows a July 27, 2017, public announcement by the State that work on the Demonstration was ending in favor of pursuing a more flexible alternative which builds off the Agency's current case management structure as a more cost-efficient mechanism to improve recipients' health outcomes.

Other reasons for this decision included state and federal funding uncertainties which had caused several probationary Regional Care Organizations to withdraw and changes in federal regulations for managed care that made the program less viable for the state.

The comment period is open until June 30, 2018. Written comments regarding the withdrawal of the Section 1115 Demonstration (Project Number 11-W-00299/4) are welcome and should be sent via e-mail to PublicComment@medicaid.alabama.gov.

Comments will be available for public review at http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov/content/5.0_Managed_Care/5.1_RCOs.aspx.