

**LOUISIANA DEMONSTRATION  
FACT SHEET  
September 2014**

<b>Name of Section 1115 Demonstration:</b>	Greater New Orleans Community Health Connection
<b>Waiver Number:</b>	11-W-00252/6
<b>Date Original Proposal Submitted:</b>	August 6, 2010
<b>Date Original Proposal Approved:</b>	September 27, 2010
<b>Date Implemented:</b>	October 1, 2010
<b>Date Expires:</b>	December 31, 2014
<b>Date Temporary Extension Requested:</b>	July 25, 2014
<b>Date Extension Approved:</b>	November 21, 2014
<b>Date Extension Expires:</b>	December 31, 2016
<b>Number of Amendments Approved:</b>	2

**Background**

In October 2010, the Greater New Orleans Community Health Connection section 1115 demonstration was approved and offers primary care and mental health services to individuals with income between 0 to 200 percent of the federal poverty level. In September 2013, the demonstration was temporarily extended for a one-year period with some eligibility changes made to the special terms and conditions to incorporate new federal policies which impact the demonstration beginning January 1, 2014. On November 25, 2014, the demonstration was renewed for an additional two-year period and removed the requirement to be uninsured for six months as a condition of eligibility.

**Amendments**

Amendment #2: On February 24, 2014, the state has proposed increasing the aggregate expenditure limit of the demonstration up to \$111.6 million due to the state's capacity to extend the non-federal share. This is an increase of \$6 million to the available spending limit.

Amendment #2 submitted: February 24, 2014

Amendment #2 approval: July 15, 2014

Amendment #1: On August 22, 2011, the state has proposed removing the pharmacy benefit from the covered list of services. Individuals will receive prescription drug benefits through the statewide manufacturer's prescription assistance programs.

Amendment #1 submitted: August 22, 2011

Amendment #1 approval: October 20, 2011

**Eligibility**

Adults with income between 0 and 100 percent of the federal poverty level who reside in city of New Orleans or the four neighboring parishes (Jefferson, Orleans, St. Bernard, or Plaquemines)

and who do not have any health insurance through Medicaid may be eligible for the demonstration.

### **Benefits**

Under this demonstration, enrollees receive limited ambulatory care benefits. These benefits include: care coordination, immunizations and influenza vaccines, laboratory and radiology, mental health, pharmacy, preventive, primary care, substance abuse services, and specialty care upon referral from a participating provider.

### **Cost Sharing**

Cost sharing must meet Medicaid rules and shall not exceed an aggregate 5% limit per family.

### **Delivery System**

Enrollees receive care through participating providers who were providers through the Primary Care Access and Stabilization Grant (PCASG).

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