

NEW JERSEY CHILDLESS ADULTS SECTION 1115 DEMONSTRATION FACT SHEET

State: New Jersey

Demonstration Name: Childless Adults

Approval Date: April 14, 2011

Effective Date: April 15, 2011

Expiration Date: October 2, 2012

Pending Actions: None

Description & Status:

This Demonstration was merged into the New Jersey Comprehensive Waiver approved on October 2, 2012. The “New Jersey Childless Adults” (NJCA) Demonstration is a statewide Medicaid section 1115 Demonstration that provides health care coverage to low-income individuals eligible to receive health insurance coverage that will be required in 2014 since the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. The NJCA Demonstration would continue eligibility to adults in the New Jersey Work First Program.

New Jersey’s goals in implementing the Demonstration are to: 1) expand health care coverage to optional individuals under section 1902(k)(2) of the Social Security Act that was added by the Affordable Care Act of 2010, and 2) to improve the health status of all New Jersey residents by:

- Increasing care management and coordination of Demonstration enrollees;
- Producing better health outcomes for those with chronic conditions; and,
- Reducing the number of emergency room visits and hospital admissions by offering primary care services.

Benefits under the Demonstration are provided through a fee-for-service health care delivery system using the State’s Medicaid provider network. Hospital services are provided through the State mandated Charity Care Program and substance abuse services are provided through the State funded Substance Abuse Initiative. All Demonstration benefits and services are to be provided seamlessly to the enrollees regardless of the funding mechanism. In addition, the State is required to provide Demonstration enrollees a health insurance card which will permit the provision of all medically necessary health care services without subsequent eligibility determinations into these programs or result in any balance billing to the enrollee for services rendered. Cost sharing in the Demonstration can be no greater than State plan requirements.

Populations:

Childless adults with household incomes up to 24 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL).