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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 16-0004

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
601 East 12th Street, Suite 355
Kansas City, Missouri 64106



Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

July 25, 2016

Mikki Stier, Medicaid Director
Division of Medical Services
Department of Human Services
Iowa Medicaid Enterprise
100 Army Post Road
Des Moines, IA 50315

Dear Ms. Stier:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Kansas City Regional Office, has completed its review of Iowa State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number #16-004. This SPA was submitted on June 13, 2016 for the purpose of removing references to the MediPass and Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) programs as these programs became obsolete by the approval of the 1915(b) waiver #R08, Iowa High Quality Healthcare Initiative. In addition, the SPA updated the description of the qualifications a Managed Care Organization (MCO) must meet to contract with the state.

SPA 16-004 was approved on July 20, 2016, with an effective date of April 1, 2016 as requested by the state. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form, as well as, the approved state plan page for incorporation into the Iowa State plan.

If you have any questions regarding this state plan amendment, please contact Sandra Levels at Sandra.Levels@cms.hhs.gov or (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

//s//

James G. Scott
Associate Regional Administrator
for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosures

cc:

Charles Palmer, Director
Alisa Horn, IME
Liz Matney, IME
Jennifer Steenblock, IME

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER <div style="text-align: center;">1 6 — 0 0 4</div>	2. STATE <div style="text-align: center;">IOWA</div>
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> NEW STATE PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE <div style="text-align: center;">April 1, 2016</div>	
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION <div style="text-align: center;">42 CFR 438</div>	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY 2016 \$ (59,800,000) b. FFY 2017 \$ (119,600,000)		
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment 2.1-A, Page 1 Attachment 2.1-A, Pages 2-20 - Obsolete	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 2.1-A, Page 1 Attachment 2.1-A, Pages 2-20 - Obsolete		
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT Removes references to the MediPASS & RMO program, as these programs were replaced by the Initiative and now operate under 1915(b) waiver rather than State Plan authority. Also updates description of qualifications an MCO must meet to contract with the state.			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 13. TYPED NAME <div style="text-align: center;">CHARLES M. PALMER</div> 14. TITLE <div style="text-align: center;">DIRECTOR</div> 15. DATE SUBMITTED <div style="text-align: center;">6-13-16</div>	16. RETURN TO CHARLES M. PALMER DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES 1305 EAST WALNUT 5TH FLOOR DES MOINES IA 50319-0114		
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED <div style="text-align: center;">June 13, 2016</div>	18. DATE APPROVED <div style="text-align: center;">July 20, 2016</div>		
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL <div style="text-align: center;">April 1, 2016</div>	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL <div style="text-align: center;">//s//</div>		
21. TYPED NAME <div style="text-align: center;">James G. Scott</div>	22. TITLE Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations		
23. REMARKS			

DEFINITION OF AN HMO THAT IS NOT FEDERALLY QUALIFIED

Any health maintenance organization (HMO) with which the Department enters into a contract* must meet at least the following requirements:

1. Be a managed care organization licensed under the provisions of Commerce Department, Insurance Division, rules, 191 Iowa Administrative Code 40, for the scope of services as defined in the rule 441 Iowa Administrative Code 73.6(249A).
2. Make available the services it provides to its Medicaid enrollees as established in the contract.
3. Make provisions satisfactory to the Department against the risk of insolvency and assure that neither Medicaid enrollees nor the State will be responsible for the HMO's debts if it becomes insolvent. Compliance shall exist with Commerce Department, Insurance Division, rules regarding net worth at 191 Iowa Administrative Code 40.12(514B) and reporting requirements at 191 Iowa Administrative Code 40.14(514B).
4. Attain and maintain accreditation by the National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA) or URAC. If not already accredited, the managed care organization must demonstrate it has initiated the accreditation process as of the contract effective date and must achieve accreditation at the earliest date allowed by NCQA or URAC.
5. Be licensed and in good standing in the State of Iowa as an HMO in accordance with 191 Iowa Administrative Code 40.

*The contract must meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Be in writing.
2. Specify the duration of the contract period.
3. List the services which must be covered.
4. Describe service access and provide access information.
5. List conditions for nonrenewal, termination, suspension, and modification.
6. Specify the method and rate of reimbursement.
7. Provide for disclosure of ownership and subcontracted relationships.
8. Specify that all subcontracts shall be in writing, shall comply with the provisions of the contract between the Department and the managed care organization, and shall include any general requirements of the contract that are appropriate to the service or activity covered by the subcontract.
9. Specify appeal and grievance rights.
10. Specify all operational and service delivery expectations.
11. Specify reporting requirements.
12. Specify requirements for utilization management and quality improvement.
13. Specify requirements for program integrity.
14. Specify termination requirements and assessment of penalties.

TN No. IA-16-004

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Supersedes

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