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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

January 4, 2018

Russell S. Barron, Director
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Boise, ID 83720-0036

RE: Idaho State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 17-0009-B

Dear Mr. Barron:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed its review of the enclosed State Plan Amendment (SPA), Transmittal Number 17-0009-B. This SPA amends Idaho's Enhanced Alternative Benefit Plan (Enhanced ABP) to align the Enhanced ABP's benefit plans with the changes that have been made to the Base Benchmark plan. This approval letter replaces the one issued on October 24, 2017.

The revised SPA approval package contains technical corrections to the Enhanced ABP's Service Delivery System pages (ABP8) that update and correct the respective ABP8 pages to include correct references to the Enhanced ABP. This SPA is approved effective January 1, 2017. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS-179 summary form, as well as the approved pages with technical corrections for incorporation into the Idaho State Plan.

If there are any questions concerning this approval, please contact me or your staff may contact Walter Neal at walter.neal@cms.hhs.gov or at 206-615-2330.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of David L. Meacham.

David L. Meacham
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure

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cc:

Matt Wimmer, IDHW

Lisa Hettinger, IDHW

Medicaid Alternative Benefit Plan: Summary Page (CMS 179)

State/Territory name: Idaho

Transmittal Number:

Please enter the Transmittal Number (TN) in the format ST-YY-0000 where ST= the state abbreviation, YY= the last two digits of the submission year, and 0000 = a four digit number with leading zeros. The dashes must also be entered.

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Proposed Effective Date

01/01/2017

(mm/dd/yyyy)

Federal Statute/Regulation Citation

Federal Budget Impact

Federal Fiscal Year

Amount

First Year

\$

Second Year

\$

Subject of Amendment

Changes made to Enhanced ABP to align with changes to the Base Benchmark plan.

Governor's Office Review

☒ **Governor's office reported no comment**

☐ **Comments of Governor's office received**

Describe:

☐ **No reply received within 45 days of submittal**

☐ **Other, as specified**

Describe:

Signature of State Agency Official

Submitted By:

Dea Kellom

Last Revision Date:

Nov 6, 2017

Submit Date:

Nov 6, 2017



Alternative Benefit Plan

Attachment 3.1-C- ☒ N

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Service Delivery Systems

ABP8

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 - ☒ Primary Care Case Management (PCCM).

☒ Fee-for-service.

☐ Other service delivery system.

Managed Care Options

Managed Care Assurance

- ☒ The state/territory certifies that it will comply with all applicable Medicaid laws and regulations, including but not limited to sections 1903(m), 1905(t), and 1932 of the Act and 42 CFR Part 438, in providing managed care services through this Alternative Benefit Plan. This includes the requirement for CMS approval of contracts and rates pursuant to 42 CFR 438.6.

Managed Care Implementation

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Idaho's PCCM program is operated in accordance with 42 CFR 438, and is an ongoing program with no new implementation outreach activities are anticipated at this time. However, at the time of enrollment, all new participants are informed about PCCM, and given the opportunity to choose their primary care provider. Information for participants about the PCCM program is found in the Idaho Health Plan Coverage booklet which is available on-line. Department representatives visit physicians and non-physician practitioners and keep them informed about Idaho's PCCM program.

PCCM: Primary Care Case Management

The PCCM delivery system is the same as an already approved PCCM program.

☐ No

- ☒ The Alternative Benefit Plan will be provided through primary care case management (PCCM) consistent with applicable managed care requirements (42 CFR Part 438, section 1903(m) of the Social Security Act, and section 1932 of the Social Security Act).

PCCM service delivery is provided on less than a statewide basis.

☐ No

PCCM Payments

Specify how payment for services is handled:

- ☒ Per member/per month case management fee paid to PCCM provider.



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☐ Other:

Additional Information: PCCM (Optional)

Provide any additional details regarding this service delivery system (optional):

Fee-For-Service Options

Indicate whether the state/territory offers traditional fee-for-service and/or services managed under an administrative services organization:

☒ Traditional state-managed fee-for-service

☐ Services managed under an administrative services organization (ASO) arrangement

Please describe this fee-for-service delivery system, including any bundled payment arrangements, pay for performance, fee-for-service care management models/non-risk, contractual incentives as well as the population served via this delivery system.

Except for the Dental and the Behavioral Health services, the Enhanced Alternative Benefit Plan is furnished on a fee-for-service basis for all participants consistent with the requirements of section 1902(a) and implementing regulations relating to payment and participant free choice of provider.

Additional Information: Fee-For-Service (Optional)

Provide any additional details regarding this service delivery system (optional):

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The Contractor is pursuing outreach activities with the goal of improving access to preventive services for children and pregnant women and to address the problems of early childhood dental caries by ensuring that children ages 0 - 3 have a dental home. The contract requires that the Contractor conduct outreach activities and programs to educate participants about their dental benefits and the importance of preventive dental care. Outreach efforts are to focus on the best and most cost-effective use of resources. Outreach may be accomplished through a variety of methods including, but not limited to, mailings, newsletters, website information, and contractor affiliations with other community, healthcare, and government health outreach programs.

PAHP: Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan

The managed care delivery system is the same as an already approved managed care program.

☐ No

- ☒ The Alternative Benefit Plan will be provided through a prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP) consistent with applicable managed care requirements (42 CFR Part 438, and section 1937 of the Social Security Act).

☒ PAHPs are paid on a risk basis.

☐ PAHPs are paid on a non-risk basis.

PAHP Procurement or Selection Method

Indicate the method used to select PAHPs:



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☒ Competitive procurement method (RFP, RFA).

☐ Other procurement/selection method.

Describe the method used by the state/territory to procure or select the PAHPs:

Other PAHP-Based Service Delivery System Characteristics

List the benefits or services that will be provided apart from the PAHP, and explain how they will be provided. Add as many rows as needed.

	Benefit/service	Description of how the benefit/service will be provided	
+	The only dental service provided outside the PAHP is for dental sealants.	Pediatricians who have been trained may bill for providing dental sealants.	X
+	Interpretation services	Dentists bill Medicaid directly for Interpretation services	X

PAHP service delivery is provided on less than a statewide basis.

PAHP Participation Exclusions

Individuals are excluded from PAHP participation in the Alternative Benefit Plan:

General PAHP Participation Requirements

Indicate if participation in the managed care is mandatory or voluntary:

☒ Mandatory participation.

☐ Voluntary participation. Indicate the method for effectuating enrollment:

Describe method of enrollment in PAHPs:

All children and pregnant women enrolled in the Enhanced Alternative Benefit Plan are eligible to receive full dental benefits from the PAHP.

Adults who are not pregnant and who are not covered under the A&D or DD Waivers are limited to the dental services coverage defined in ABP5.

Additional Information: PAHP (Optional)

Provide any additional details regarding this service delivery system (optional):

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Stakeholder meetings were held in 2012, and continuous feedback solicited through the Department's website. In 2013, Idaho sent notification regarding implementation of the managed care contract was sent to all participants and providers. The contract requires that the Contractor shall have a Communication Plan that includes a plan to communicate with Members, providers and stakeholders, including Member service and provider service call centers and Member and provider handbooks. Member handbooks were mailed in August of 2013, prior to implementation.

PAHP: Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan

The managed care delivery system is the same as an already approved managed care program.

☐ Yes

The managed care program is operating under (select one):

- ☐ Section 1915(a) voluntary managed care program.
- ☒ Section 1915(b) managed care waiver.
- ☐ Section 1115 demonstration.
- ☐ Section 1937 Alternative (Benchmark) Benefit Plan state plan amendment.

Identify the date the managed care program was approved by CMS: June 24, 2013



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Describe program below:

The Department covers community-based outpatient behavioral health services through a PAHP contract. The implementation date of the managed care delivery system was September 1, 2013.

The Department contracted with a single, statewide managed care entity, United Behavioral Health, dba Optum/Idaho, who meets the requirements of a PAHP (as defined in 42 CFR § 438.8(b)). Optum manages a network of providers across the state in order to administer behavioral health services to eligible Medicaid members.

The Department has designated the Division of Medicaid to oversee the Idaho Behavioral Health Plan to assure compliance with federal financing requirements. Medicaid provides for an IDHW Contract Manager to lead ongoing contract administration and contract performance monitoring with overall responsibility for the management of all aspects of the contract.

Through the implementation of a managed care system under a 1915(b) waiver, Idaho seeks to achieve the following goals:

Short Term Goals:

- * Enrollment of sufficient number of competent professionals to deliver core services; Successful claims processing; Improved identification of Members who meet program qualifications for behavioral health treatment; and Successful transition process for both providers of services (agencies and individual practitioners) and Members.

Intermediate Goals:

- * Effective communications between the IDHW, Contractor and all other stakeholders; Increase in number of Members who receive behavioral health care treatment that accurately matches their behavioral health care needs; Implementation of utilization management and quality assurance processes that result in improved operations/services and improved payment approaches; and Improved coordination with all other treatment providers and programs that Members are involved with, specifically, the Healthy Connections program and the Health Home program.

Long Term Goals:

- * Positive outcomes for Members that result in Members' recovery and/or resiliency; Decreased inappropriate use of higher cost services (hospital, emergency departments, crisis); Administrative efficiencies realized that include greater reliance on technology, cost-effective management of the network and of services, and decrease in waste and fraud; and Greater satisfaction with treatment and support services among Members and greater satisfaction for agencies and practitioners in the administration of the services.

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