Medicaid and CHIP Disaster Relief MAGI-Based Verification Plan Addendum

The State Medicaid and CHIP agencies will implement the following changes to its policies and procedures described in this MAGI-based verification plan addendum, which are different from the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the state’s current MAGI-based verification plan, during the following period: March 18, 2020 through the end of the declared COVID-19 public health emergency.

Check off each item and fill in the requested information if the state is electing the flexibility. Only indicate areas that are changes to your current verification plan elections. Do not check off the item if you currently use the indicated flexibility. For example, if the state currently accepts attestation of residency, that item does not need to be checked off in this addendum. For additional information regarding disaster-related verification flexibilities, refer to the CMS Disaster Preparedness Toolkits.

STATE: Washington__________
Effective Date: March 18, 2020

Section A – Verification Procedures for Factors of Eligibility

Income-related Verification Processes - Reasonable Compatibility and Documentation:

_____ The agency will utilize a reasonable compatibility standard threshold as follows (percent and/or dollar threshold): ________________

_____ The agency will accept self-attestation without additional verification of income under the circumstances specified here (note: changes in use of data sources are included in Section B below): ________________

__X___ The agency will conduct post-enrollment verification of income at application. Specify when, post-enrollment, the agency will conduct the post-enrollment verification: at the end of the public health emergency, in order to continue coverage until then and to review at a time when any case action may be needed and taken.

Non-Income-related Verification Processes:

_____ The agency will accept attestation for the following non-income related factors of eligibility:
__ Residency
__ Age/Date of Birth
__ Household composition
__ Receipt of other coverage (such as Medicare)
__ Other (as permissible under applicable statute and regulations): ________________

_____ The agency will conduct post-enrollment verification of the following non-income related factors of eligibility at application as specified here (include when, post-enrollment, the agency will conduct the post-enrollment verification):
__ Residency (Time Period: ________________)
__ Age/Date of Birth (Time Period: ________________)
__ Household composition (Time Period: ________________)
__ Receipt of other coverage (such as Medicare) (Time Period: ________________)
__ Other (as permissible under applicable statute and regulations): ________________
Section B – Use of Electronic Data Sources

The agency has determined that the following income-related data sources will not be checked periodically between initial application and regular renewals:

- Internal Revenue Service
- Social Security Administration (SSI and SSDI)
- State Wage Income Collection Agency
- State Unemployment Compensation
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- The Work Number/TALX
- PARIS
- Other: _______________

Additional Information/Changes: _____________________________________________________

Other – Indicate Any Additional Changes to Verification Processes That Have Not Been Addressed

X Other: For individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI):

Allow self-attestation for all eligibility criteria (excluding citizenship and immigration status) on a case-by-case basis for Medicaid eligible individuals subject to a disaster when documentation is not available as outlined at 42 CFR 435.952(c)(3).