AL - Submission Package - AL2020MS0002O - (AL-20-0012) - Eligibility

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Related Actions

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Package Information

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Program Name N/A

SPA ID AL-20-0012

Version Number 7

Submitted By Paul McWhorter

Package Disposition



Priority Code P2

Submission Type Official

State AL

Region Atlanta, GA

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group 601 E. 12th St., Room 355 Kansas City, MO 64106



Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

May 28, 2021

Stephanie McGee Azar Commissioner Alabama Medicaid Agency 501 Dexter Avenue Montgomery , AL 36103-5624

Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment AL-20-0012

Dear Stephanie McGee Azar,

On September 30, 2020, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received Alabama State Plan Amendment (SPA) AL-20-0012, which proposed to disregard Census-based income for certain non-MAGI eligibility groups.

We approve Alabama State Plan Amendment (SPA) AL-20-0012 with an effective date(s) of July 01, 2020.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Charles Friedrich at charles.friedrich@cms.hhs.gov or at (404) 562-7404.

Sincerely,

James G. Scott

SPA ID AL-20-0012

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Director, Division of Program Operations

Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

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| Reviewable Unit | Proposed Effective Date | Superseded SPA ID |
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| Eligibility Determinations of Individuals Age 65 or Older or Who Have Blindness or a Disability | 7/1/2020 | NEW |
| MAGI-Based Methodologies | 7/1/2020 | AL-14-0006 |
| Non-MAGI Methodologies | 7/1/2020 | 91-36;93-29;96-05;10-006 |
| Mandatory Eligibility Groups | 7/1/2020 | NEW |
| Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries | 7/1/2020 | AL-00-01 |
| Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries | 7/1/2020 | AL-00-01 |
| Qualifying Individuals | 7/1/2020 | AL-00-01 |
| Optional Eligibility Groups | 7/1/2020 | NEW |
| Individuals Eligible for Cash Except for Institutionalization | 7/1/2020 | AL-00-01 |
| Individuals Receiving Home and Community- Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules | 7/1/2020 | AL-00-01 |

Page Number of the Superseded Plan Section or Attachment (If Applicable):

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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including Seeking a section 1902(r)2 of the Social Security Act to apply an income disregard for Census related activities for non-Goals and Objectives Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) groups.

> Seeking State Plan option to have a "reasonable method to include a prorated portion of reasonable predictable future income" to apply a RPC methodology to prorate expected future changes for 12 months for MAGI-based methodologies

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

Federal Budget Impact

| | Federal Fiscal Year | Amount |
|--------|---------------------|--------|
| First | 2020 | \$0 |
| Second | 2021 | \$0 |

Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

1902 (r) 2; 42 CFR 435.603(h)(2); 42 CFR 435.603(h)(3)

Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

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Governor's Office Review

No comment

Ocomments received

O No response within 45 days

Other

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Submission - Public Comment

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Submission Type Official Initial Submission Date 9/30/2020 Approval Date 5/28/2021 Effective Date N/A Superseded SPA ID N/A Indicate whether public comment was solicited with respect to this submission. O Public notice was not federally required and comment was not solicited O Public notice was not federally required, but comment was solicited • Public notice was federally required and comment was solicited Indicate how public comment was solicited: Newspaper Announcement Publication in state's administrative record, in accordance with the administrative procedures requirements Email to Electronic Mailing List or Similar Mechanism Website Notice Public Hearing or Meeting Other method Upload copies of public notices and other documents used Name **Date Created** 9/25/2020 2:45 PM EDT **Public Notice** Upload with this application a written summary of public comments received (optional) Name **Date Created** No items available Indicate the key issues raised during the public comment period (optional) Access Quality Cost Payment methodology Eligibility • Summarize comments: Reasonable Predictable Changes for seasonal/temporary income • Summarize response: None Benefits Service delivery Other issue

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Submission - Tribal Input

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Package ID AL2020MS0002O **SPA ID** AL-20-0012 Submission Type Official Initial Submission Date 9/30/2020 Approval Date 5/28/2021 Effective Date N/A Superseded SPA ID N/A One or more Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations This state plan amendment is likely to have a direct effect on Indians, furnish health care services in this state Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations, as described in the state consultation plan. Yes Yes O No O No The state has solicited advice from Indian Health Programs and/or Urban Indian Organizations, as required by section 1902(a)(73) of the Social Security Act, and in accordance with the state consultation plan, prior to submission of this SPA. Complete the following information regarding any solicitation of advice and/or tribal consultation conducted with respect to this submission: Solicitation of advice and/or Tribal consultation was conducted in the following manner: All Indian Health Programs All Urban Indian Organizations States are not required to consult with Indian tribal governments, but if such consultation was conducted voluntarily, provide information about such consultation below: All Indian Tribes Date of consultation: Method of consultation: 8/2/2019 The state must upload copies of documents that support the solicitation of advice in accordance with statutory requirements, including any notices sent to Indian Health Programs and/or Urban Indian Organizations, as well as attendee lists if face-to-face meetings were held. Also upload documents with comments received from Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations and the state's responses to any issues raised. Alternatively indicate the key issues and summarize any comments received below and describe how the state incorporated them into the design of its program. Name **Date Created** 9/6/2019 10:43 AM EDT Indian Tribal Certified Letter and Envelope mailed 073119 Indicate the key issues raised (optional) Access Quality Cost Payment methodology Eligibility Benefits Service delivery Other issue

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