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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
601 E. 12th St., Room 355
Kansas City, Missouri 64106



Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group

June 5, 2026

Adela Flores-Brennan
Medicaid Director
Department of Health Care Policy & Financing
303 E. 17th Avenue, Suite 1100
Denver, CO 80203-1818

Re: Colorado State Plan Amendment (SPA) - 26-0012

Dear Director Flores-Brennan:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 26-0012. This amendment updates the State Governor's Designation Letter for who can sign state plan submissions for Colorado.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations. This letter informs you that Colorado's Medicaid SPA TN 26-0012 was approved on June 5, 2026, with an effective date of May 1, 2026.

Enclosed are copies of Form CMS-179 and the approved SPA page to be incorporated into the Colorado State Plan.

If you have any questions, please contact John Dedrick at (404) 562-7284 or via email at John.Dedrick@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Nicole McKnight
Acting Director, Division of Program Operations

Enclosures

cc: Joshua Block, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Office
Gretchen Hammer, Executive Director
Ralph Choate, Chief Operations Officer, Medicaid Operations Office
Colin Laughlin, Deputy Office Director, Office of Community Living

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER

2 6 — 0 0 1 2

2. STATE

CO

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

XIX XXI

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR
CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

May 1, 2026

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

42 CFR 430.12(b)

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)

a. FFY 2025 \$ 0

b. FFY 2026 \$ 0

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

Section 7.4 page 90 Governor's Designation Letter

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)

Section 7.4 page 90 Governor's Letter (TN 23-0012)

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

State Governor's Designation Letter.

10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)

- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:

Governor's letter dated
5 April 2023

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

12. TYPED NAME
Adela Flores-Brennan

13. TITLE
Medicaid Director

14. DATE SUBMITTED
May 18, 2026

15. RETURN TO

Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing
303 E. 17th Avenue, Suite 1100
Denver, CO 80203

Attn: Jessica Farnen

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16. DATE RECEIVED
May 18, 2026

17. DATE APPROVED
June 5, 2026

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
May 1, 2026

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Nicole McKnight

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Acting Director, Division of Program Operations

22. REMARKS



COLORADO
Governor Jared Polis

May 9, 2026

Courtney Miller, Director
Medicaid & CHIP Operations Group
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
601 E. 12th St., Room 355
Kansas City, MO 64106

Dear Ms. Miller,

We are pleased to designate the following individuals in the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing as the individuals authorized to submit the State Plan and/or State Plan Amendments regarding Colorado's Medicaid program, effective May 1, 2026:

- Gretchen Hammer, Executive Director
- Joshua Block, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Office
- Adela Flores-Brennan, Medicaid Director, Health Policy Office
- Ralph Choate, Chief Operations Officer, Medicaid Operations Office
- Colin Laughlin, Deputy Office Director, Office of Community Living

Sincerely,

Jared Polis
Governor
State of Colorado

Transmittal Number: CO-26-0012
Supersedes Number: CO-23-0012

Effective Date: May 1, 2026
Approval Date: June 5, 2026