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Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

September 21, 2023

Lynette Rhodes
Executive Director
Georgia Department of Community Health
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
East Tower 19th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30334

Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment GA-23-0001-FFFC

Dear Lynette Rhodes,

On March 31, 2023, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received Georgia State Plan Amendment (SPA) GA-23-0001, in which the state proposed to adopt the changes to the eligibility rules for the Former Foster Care Children eligibility group, as enacted by the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act, Pub. L. No. 115-217, section 1002.

We approve Georgia State Plan Amendment (SPA) GA-23-0001-FFFC with an effective date(s) of January 01, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Etta Hawkins at etta.hawkins@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

Ruth A. Hughes

Acting Director, Division of Program Operations

Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including Section 1002(a) of the SUPPORT Act amends section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IX) of the Social Security Act to make important Goals and Objectives changes to the eligibility requirements for the FFCC group.

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

Federal Budget Impact

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2023	\$0
Second	2024	\$0

Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IX) of the Social Security Act and 42 C.F.R. 435.150

Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

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Governor's Office Review

No comment

Comments received

No response within 45 days

Other

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Mandatory Coverage

A. The state provides Medicaid to mandatory groups of individuals. The mandatory groups covered are:

Families and Adults

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 🕢
Infants and Children under Age 19	9	~		0	CONVERTED
Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	Ø	~		0	CONVERTED
Pregnant Women	P	✓		0	CONVERTED
Deemed Newborns	P	~		0	NEW
Children with Title IV-E Adoption Assistance, Foster Care or Guardianship Care	Ø	W		0	NEW
Former Foster Care Children	Ø	~	✓		APPROVED
Transitional Medical Assistance	9	~		0	NEW
Extended Medicaid due to Spousal Support Collections	9	₩		0	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 🔞
SSI Beneficiaries	P	✓		0	NEW
Closed Eligibility Groups	P	~		0	NEW

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 🛭
Individuals Deemed To Be Receiving SSI	P	✓		0	NEW
Working Individuals under 1619(b)	P	✓		0	NEW
Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries	P	✓		0	NEW
Qualified Disabled and Working Individuals	ø	✓		0	NEW
Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries	P	✓		0	NEW
Qualifying Individuals	9	✓		0	NEW

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B. The state elects the Adult Group, described at 42 CFR 435.119.

Yes No

C. Additional Information (optional)

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Eligibility Groups Deselected from Coverage

The following eligibility groups were previously covered in the source approved version of the state plan and deselected from coverage as part of this submission package:

N/A

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Eligibility Groups - Mandatory Coverage

Former Foster Care Children

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Individuals under the age of 26, who were in foster care and on Medicaid when they turned age 18 or aged out of foster care.

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The state covers the mandatory former foster care children group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

Individuals qualifying under this eligibility group must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Are under age 26
- 2. Were in foster care upon attaining age 18 or a higher age at which the state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends under title IV-E of the Act (up to age 21).
- 3. Are described under either Section B. or C.

B. Individuals Covered

For individuals who turn 18 before January 1, 2023:

- 1. The state covers individuals who:
- a. Upon attaining age 18 or a higher age at which the state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends under title IV-E of the Act (up to age 21) were:
 - i. In foster care under the responsibility of the state or a Tribe within the state (including children who were cared for through a grant to the state under the unaccompanied refugee minor program); and
 - ii. Enrolled in Medicaid under the state's Medicaid state plan or 1115 demonstration; and
- b. Are not otherwise eligible for and enrolled for mandatory coverage under the state plan, except that eligibility under this group takes precedence over eligibility under the Adult Group.
- 2. In addition to B.1., the state elects to cover individuals who were in foster care under the responsibility of the state or a Tribe within the state (including children who were cared for through a grant to the state under the unaccompanied refugee minor program) when they turned 18 or a higher age at which the state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends under title IV-E of the Act, and meet the following criteria:
- a. They were enrolled in Medicaid under the state's Medicaid state plan or 1115 demonstration at any time during the foster care period in which they turned 18 or a higher age at which the state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends.
- b. They were placed by the state or Tribe in another state and were enrolled in Medicaid under the other state's Medicaid state plan or 1115 demonstration project when they turned 18 or a higher age at which the state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends.
- c. They were placed by the state or Tribe in another state and were enrolled in Medicaid under the other state's Medicaid state plan or 1115 demonstration project at any time during the foster care period in which they turned 18 or a higher age at which the state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends.

C. Individuals Covered

For individuals who turn 18 on or after January 1, 2023:

- 1. The state covers individuals who:
- a. Upon attaining age 18 or a higher age at which the state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends under title IV-E of the Act (up to age 21) were:
 - i. In foster care under the responsibility of any state or a Tribe within any state (including children who were cared for through a grant to the state under the unaccompanied refugee minor program); and
 - ii. Enrolled in Medicaid under a state's Medicaid state plan or 1115 demonstration; and

b. Are not enrolled in mandatory coverage under the state plan, except that eligibility under this group takes precedence over eligibility under the Adult Group.
2. In addition to C.1., the state elects to cover individuals who were in foster care under the responsibility of any state or a Tribe within any state (including children who were cared for through a grant to a state under the unaccompanied refugee minor program) when they turned 18 or a higher age at which that state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends under title IV-E of the Act, and meet the following criteria:
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c. They were placed by a state or Tribe in another state and were enrolled in Medicaid under the other state's Medicaid state plan or 1115 demonstration project at any time during the foster care period in which they turned 18 or a higher age at which a state's or Tribe's foster care assistance ends.

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