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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 10, 2026

Perrie Briskin
Medicaid Director
Maryland Department of Health
201 W. Preston Street, 5th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21201

Re: Maryland State Plan Amendment (SPA) - 25-0004-A

Dear Medicaid Director Briskin:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 25-0004-A. This amendment proposes to provide coverage for targeted case management in the 30-day pre-release and immediately post-release to eligible incarcerated youth and young adults to comply with section 5121 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements, 1902(a)(84)(D) and 1905(a)(19), in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations at 42 C.F.R. §440.169. This letter informs you that Maryland's Medicaid SPA TN 25-0004-A was approved on June 10, 2026, with an effective date of October 23, 2025.

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

If you have any questions, please contact Talbatha Myatt at (215) 861-4259 or via email at Talbatha.Myatt@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of Nicole McKnight.

Nicole McKnight
Acting Director, Division of Program Operations

Enclosures

cc: Perrie Briskin
Tyler Colomb

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER <u>2 5 — 0 0 0 4 -A</u>	2. STATE <u>MD</u>
3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT <input checked="" type="radio"/> XIX <input type="radio"/> XXI	

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
~~January 1, 2025~~ **October 23, 2025**

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION
42-CFR 447.204-1902(a)(84)(D) of the Social Security Act 1905(a)(19); 42 CFR 440.169

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
a. FFY ~~2025~~ **2026** \$ ~~0~~ **\$836,803**
b. FFY ~~2026~~ **2027** \$ ~~0~~ **\$56,276**

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT
~~Attachment 3.1M pg. 1-2 (25-0004)~~
Supplement 1 to Att. 3.1M pg. 1-7 (NEW)
Attachment 4.19B pg. 45 (NEW)


8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)
~~Attachment 3.1M pg. 1-2 (NEW)~~
Supplement 1 to Att. 3.1M pg. 1-7 (NEW)
Attachment 4.19B pg. 45 (NEW)

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
This amendment will be used to create a separate Medicaid program to cover screening and diagnostic services in accordance with state Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment requirements, as well as targeted case management services for juveniles who are incarcerated post-adjudication and who would otherwise be eligible for Medicaid.

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:

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL


12. TYPED NAME
Tricia Roddy

13. TITLE
Deputy Medicaid Director

14. DATE SUBMITTED

15. RETURN TO
Ryan Moran
Medicaid Director
Maryland Department of Health
201 W. Preston St., 5th Floor
Baltimore, MD 21201


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16. DATE RECEIVED
March 28, 2025

17. DATE APPROVED
June 10, 2026

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
October 23, 2025

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
5/21/2026-State authorized pen and ink change to update Box 1,4,5,6, 7 and 8.

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TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR ELIGIBLE JUVENILES

Target Group (42 Code of Federal Regulations 441.18(a)(8)(i) and 441.18(a)(9)):

Eligible juveniles as defined in §1902(nn) (individuals who are under 21 years of age and determined eligible for any Medicaid eligibility group, or individuals determined eligible for the mandatory eligibility group for former foster care children age 18 up to age 26, immediately before becoming an inmate of a public institution or while an inmate of a public institution) who are within 30 days of their scheduled date of release from a public institution **following adjudication**, and for at least 30 days following release.

Post Release TCM Period beyond 30 day post release minimum requirement:

State will provide TCM beyond the 30 day post release requirement. **[explain]:** Click or tap here to enter text.

Areas of State in which services will be provided (§1915(g)(1) of the Act):

Entire state

Comparability of services (§§1902(a)(10)(B) and 1915(g)(1))

Services are not comparable in amount duration and scope (§1915(g)(1)).

Definition of services (42 CFR 440.169): Targeted case management (TCM) services are defined as services furnished to assist individuals, eligible under the State Plan, in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational and other services.

Targeted Case Management includes the following assistance:

- ❖ Comprehensive assessment and periodic reassessment of individual needs, to determine the need for any medical, educational, social or other services. These assessment activities include:
 - taking client history;
 - identifying the individual's needs and completing related documentation; and
 - gathering information from other sources such as family members, medical providers, social workers, and educators (if necessary), to form a complete assessment of the eligible individual;

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The periodic reassessment is conducted every (check all that apply):

- 1 month
- 3 months
- 6 months
- 12 months
- Other frequency **[explain]:**

Monthly during 30 days pre-release and 30 days post-release

- ❖ Development (and periodic revision) of a specific care plan that is based on the information collected through the assessment that:
 - specifies the goals and actions to address the medical, social, educational, and other services needed by the individual;
 - includes activities such as ensuring the active participation of the eligible individual, and working with the individual (or the individual's authorized health care decision maker) and others to develop those goals; and
 - identifies a course of action to respond to the assessed needs of the eligible individual;
- ❖ Referral and related activities, including referrals to appropriate care and services available in the geographic region of the home or residence of the eligible juvenile, where feasible (such as scheduling appointments for the individual) to help the eligible individual obtain needed services including:
 - activities that help link the individual with medical, social, educational providers, or other programs and services that are capable of providing needed services to address identified needs and achieve goals specified in the care plan; and
- ❖ Monitoring and follow-up activities are:
activities and contacts that are necessary to ensure the care plan is implemented and adequately addresses the eligible individual's needs, and which may be with the individual, family members, service providers, or other entities or individuals and conducted as frequently as necessary, and including at least one annual monitoring, to determine whether the following conditions are met:

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- services are being furnished in accordance with the individual's care plan;
- services in the care plan are adequate; and
- changes in the needs or status of the individual are reflected in the care plan.

Monitoring and follow-up activities include making necessary adjustments in the care plan and service arrangements with providers.

Frequency of additional monitoring:

Specify the type and frequency of monitoring (check all that apply)

Telephonic. Frequency:

In-person. Frequency:

Other [explain]:

A minimum of 3 contacts that may be conducted telephonically, in person, or via audio-visual telehealth.

Case management includes contacts with non-eligible individuals that are directly related to identifying the eligible individual's needs and care, for the purposes of helping the eligible individual access services; identifying needs and supports to assist the eligible individual in obtaining services; providing case managers with useful feedback, and alerting case managers to changes in the eligible individual's needs. For instance, a case manager might also work with state children and youth agencies for children who are involved with the foster care system.

(42 CFR 440.169(e))

If another case manager is involved upon release or for case management after the 30-day post release mandatory service period, states should ensure a warm hand off to transition case management and support continuity of care of needed services that are documented in the person-centered care plan. A warm handoff should include a meeting between the eligible juvenile, and both the pre-release and post-release case manager. It also should include a review of the person-centered care plan and next steps to ensure continuity of case management and follow-up as the eligible juvenile transitions into the community.

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Qualifications of providers (42 CFR 441.18(a)(8)(v) and 42 CFR 441.18(b)):

[Specify provider qualifications that are reasonably related to the population being served and the case management services furnished.]

In order to receive reimbursement TCM services, the Justice Involved Case Manager must:

1. Be actively enrolled with the Maryland Medical Assistance Program in good standing or provide services under the direction of an actively enrolled Maryland Medical Assistance Program provider in good standing.
2. Work under an agency/entity who has access to state/local carceral facilities.
3. Meet the following criteria as verified by their case management agency:
 - a. Be at least 21 years of age;
 - b. Have U.S. Citizenship or Resident Alien status;
 - c. Have at least a four year Bachelor degree in the social or behavioral sciences or criminal justice from an accredited college or university; or may substitute two year Associate of Arts degree in the social or behavioral sciences or criminal justice from an accredited college or university and two years of experience providing direct services to children or adults in a community or residential setting;
 - d. Pass all required background investigation and criminal history record checks required by the state/local agency employing/contracting the individual and state regulation;
 - e. Possess a motor vehicle operator's license valid in the State of Maryland;
 - f. Pass all required physical and mental health examinations required by the state agency employing/contracting the individual and state regulation; Be fully certified by the Maryland Correctional Training Commission within 90 days of appointment and maintain certification while employed; and
 - g. Have attested to an understanding of the federal and state requirements for Medicaid Targeted Case Management.

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Freedom of choice (42 CFR 441.18(a)(1)):

The State assures that the provision of case management services will not restrict an individual's free choice of providers in violation of section 1902(a)(23) of the Act.

1. Eligible individuals will have free choice of any qualified Medicaid provider within the specified geographic area identified in this plan.
2. Eligible individuals will have free choice of any qualified Medicaid providers of other medical care under the plan.

Freedom of Choice Exception (§1915(g)(1) and 42 CFR 441.18(b)):

Target group consists of eligible individuals with developmental disabilities or with chronic mental illness. Providers are limited to qualified Medicaid providers of case management services capable of ensuring that individuals with developmental disabilities or with chronic mental illness receive needed services:

[Identify any limitations to be imposed on the providers and specify how these limitations enable providers to ensure that individuals within the target groups receive needed services below.]

Click or tap here to enter text.

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Access to Services (42 CFR 441.18(a)(2), 42 CFR 441.18(a)(3), 42 CFR 441.18(a)(6)):

The state assures the following:

- Case management (including targeted case management) services will not be used to restrict an individual's access to other services under the plan.
- Individuals will not be compelled to receive case management services, condition receipt of case management (or targeted case management) services on the receipt of other Medicaid services, or condition receipt of other Medicaid services on receipt of case management (or targeted case management) services; and
- Providers of case management services do not exercise the agency's authority to authorize or deny the provision of other services under the plans.
- Delivery of TCM and the policies, procedures, and processes developed to support implementation of these provisions are built in consideration of the individuals release and will not effectuate a delay of an individual's release or lead to increased involvement in the juvenile and adult justice systems.

Payment (42 CFR 441.18(a)(4)):

The state assures payment for case management or targeted case management services under the plan does not duplicate payments made to public agencies or private entities under other program authorities for this same purpose.

Case Records (42 CFR 441.18(a)(7)):

The state assures providers maintain case records that document for all individuals receiving case management as follows: (i) The name of the individual; (ii) The dates of the case management services; (iii) The name of the provider agency (if relevant) and the person providing the case management service; (iv) The nature, content, units of the case management services received and whether goals specified in the care plan have been achieved; (v) Whether the individual has declined services in the care plan; (vi) The need for, and occurrences of, coordination with other case managers; (vii) A timeline for obtaining needed services; (viii) A timeline for reevaluation of the plan.

Limitations:

The state assures that case management does not include, and Federal Financial Participation (FFP) is not available in expenditures for, services defined in §440.169 when the case management activities are an integral and inseparable component of another covered Medicaid service (State Medicaid Manual (SMM) 4302.F).

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Case management does not include, and Federal Financial Participation (FFP) is not available in expenditures for, services defined in §440.169 when the case management activities constitute the direct delivery of underlying medical, educational, social, or other services to which an eligible individual has been referred, including for foster care programs, services such as, but not limited to, the following: research gathering and completion of documentation required by the foster care program; assessing adoption placements; recruiting or interviewing potential foster care parents; serving legal papers; home investigations; providing transportation; administering foster care subsidies; making placement arrangements. (42 CFR 441.18(c))

FFP only is available for case management services or targeted case management services if there are no other third parties liable to pay for such services, including as reimbursement under a medical, social, educational, or other program except for case management that is included in an individualized education program or individualized family service plan consistent with §1903(c) of the Act. (§§1902(a)(25) and 1905(c))

State has additional limitations **[Specify any additional limitations.]**

Click or tap here to enter text.

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State of Maryland

Reimbursement for Targeted Case Management Services for Eligible Juveniles

1. Effective October 23, 2025 the Department will reimburse for Targeted Case Management Services for eligible juveniles at a rate of \$561.05 per unit. Services and Provider qualifications are limited to those outlined in Section 3.1M, Supplement 1.
2. Eligible juveniles are as defined in §1902(nn) (individuals who are under 21 years of age and determined eligible for any Medicaid eligibility group, or individuals determined eligible for the mandatory eligibility group for former foster care children age 18 up to age 26, immediately before becoming an inmate of a public institution or while an inmate of a public institution) who are within thirty days of their scheduled date of release from a public institution following adjudication, and for 30 days following release.
3. A unit of service shall mean a thirty day period of service, for a minimum of three case management contacts within that period which may be provided telephonically, in person, or via audio-visual telehealth.
4. Services can be provided by qualified professionals that meet the qualifications outlined in Section 3.1M, Supplement 1. The targeted case management services shall be performed by a government agency responsible for housing and providing health care for eligible juveniles (e.g. the Department of Juvenile Services, or the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services) during the pre-release period and either a government agency or a Medicaid MCO during the post release period.
5. The State assures that payment will not be made for services provided to an inmate of a public institution, except when the individual is a patient in a medical institution or in the case of an eligible juvenile described in section 1902(a)(84)(D) with respect to the screenings, diagnostic services, referrals, and targeted case management services required under such section, as specified in paragraph (A) following the last numbered paragraph of section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act.