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Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

December 02, 2022

Dave Richard
Deputy Secretary of Medical Assistance
Division of Medical Assistance
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Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment NC-22-0001

Dear Dave Richard,

On September 08, 2022, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received North Carolina State Plan Amendment (SPA) NC-22-0001, which proposed to confirm the methodology used to determine eligibility for the Special Assistance In-Home optional state supplement program, the beneficiaries of which are eligible for Medicaid.

We approve North Carolina State Plan Amendment (SPA) NC-22-0001 with an effective date of January 01, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Morlan Lannaman at morlan.lannaman@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,
James G. Scott
Director, Division of Program Operations
Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

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State Information

State/Territory Name: North Carolina

Medicaid Agency Name: Division of Medical Assistance

Submission Component

- State Plan Amendment
- Medicaid
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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including Goals and Objectives It is the intent of the NC General Assembly to provide greater parity among individuals receiving benefits under the State-County Special Assistance Program, authorized under G.S. 108-A-40, regardless if they elect to reside in an adult care home, a special care unit, or an in-home living arrangement.

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation


Federal Budget Impact

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2022	\$8035760
Second	2023	\$31229703

Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

1932(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act

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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Medicaid State Plan Eligibility

Optional Eligibility Groups

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A. Options for Coverage

The state provides Medicaid to specified optional groups of individuals.


















Yes
 No

The optional eligibility groups covered in the state plan are (elections made in this screen may not be comprehensive during the transition period from the paper-based state plan to MACPro):

Families and Adults

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type
Optional Coverage of Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Children with Non-IV-E Adoption Assistance		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Independent Foster Care Adolescents		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Optional Targeted Low Income Children		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals above 133% FPL under Age 65		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Eligible for Family Planning Services		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CONVERTED
Individuals with Tuberculosis		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package 	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type 
Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash Assistance		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Eligible for Cash Except for Institutionalization		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving Home and Community-Based Waiver Services under Institutional Rules		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED
Individuals in Institutions Eligible under a Special Income Level		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
PACE Participants		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving Hospice		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Children under Age 19 with a Disability		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Age and Disability-Related Poverty Level		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED
Work Incentives		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Ticket to Work Basic		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Ticket to Work Medical Improvements		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Family Opportunity Act Children with a Disability		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Individuals Receiving State Plan Home and Community-Based Services Who Are Otherwise Eligible for HCBS Waivers		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW

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B. Medically Needy Options for Coverage



The state provides Medicaid to specified groups of individuals who are medically needy.

Yes No

The medically needy eligibility groups covered in the state plan are:

1. Mandatory Medically Needy:

Families and Adults



Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Medically Needy Pregnant Women		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Medically Needy Children under Age 18		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Protected Medically Needy Individuals Who Were Eligible in 1973		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW

2. Optional Medically Needy:

Families and Adults

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Medically Needy Reasonable Classifications of Individuals under Age 21		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW
Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NEW

Aged, Blind and Disabled

Eligibility Group Name		Covered In State Plan	Include RU In Package ?	Included in Another Submission Package	Source Type ?
Medically Needy Populations Based on Age, Blindness or Disability		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	APPROVED

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C. Additional Information (optional)

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 - Options for Coverage

Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries

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Individuals who receive an optional state supplementary payment.

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The state covers the Optional State Supplement Beneficiaries eligibility group in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Characteristics

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

1. Receive an optional state supplement that meets the conditions described in sections C and D.
2. Except for income, would be eligible for SSI.
3. Do not have gross income exceeding 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR).

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B. Individuals Covered

1. The state covers all individuals who meet the characteristics described in section A.

- Yes
 No

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C. Optional State Supplement Program

1. The optional state supplement program is administered:

- a. Solely by the federal government. The state has an agreement with the Social Security Administration under section 1616 of the Act regarding the administration of optional state supplementary payments.
- b. By a combination of federal and state administration. The state has an agreement with the Social Security Administration under section 1616 of the Act regarding the administration of optional state supplementary payments for some classifications of individuals, while state supplementary payments for other classifications of individuals are administered by the state.
- c. Solely by the state.

2. Payments under the optional state supplement program are:

- a. Based on need and paid in cash on a regular basis;
- b. Equal to the difference between the individual's countable income and the income standard used to determine eligibility for supplement; and
- c. Available to all individuals in each population selected in section B.

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D. Income Standard of Optional State Supplement Program

1. The income standard for the optional state supplement:

a. Varies by political subdivision.

Yes

No

b. Varies by payment classification.

Yes

No

Income Standard

Individual	Couple
\$12	\$28.0
28.0	0
0	

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E. Additional Information (optional)

Married couples who receive Special Assistance In-Home are budgeted separately as a budget unit of one. Each person in the couple has an income limit of \$1228.

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