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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 22-0003

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June 17, 2022

Kevin Bagley
Director
Division of Medicaid & Long-Term Care
Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68509

Re: Nebraska State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0003

Dear Mr. Bagley:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) NE-22-0003. This amendment proposes Consolidated Appropriations Act (CAA) Coverage of Routine Costs Associated with Qualifying Clinical Trials.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations. The SPA provides assurances that the State complies with federal requirements regarding coverage of routine patient care associated with participation in clinical trials as required by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021. This letter is to inform you Nebraska SPA 22-0003 was approved on June 16, 2022, with an effective date of January 1, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact Tyson Christensen at (816) 426-6440 or via email at Tyson.Christensen@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Ruth A. Hughes, Acting Director
Division of Program Operations

Enclosures

cc: Dawn Kastens
    Catherine Gekas-Steeby
**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

**FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

**TO: CENTER DIRECTOR**

**CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

1. **TRANSMITTAL NUMBER**
   - 22-0003

2. **STATE**
   - NE

3. **PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT**
   - [ ] XIX
   - [ ] XXI

4. **PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE**
   - January 1, 2022

5. **FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION**
   - 42 US 1396(d)(gg)(1-3) // [Section 1905(gg)(1-3) of the Act]

6. **FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)**
   - a. FFY 2022 $0
   - b. FFY 2023 $0

7. **PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT**
   - Click or tap here to enter text.
   - Att. 3.1-A, pg 13 (new)
   - Att. 3.1-B, pg 10 (new)

8. **PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)**
   - Click or tap here to enter text.

9. **SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT**
   - CAA Coverage of Routine Costs Associated with Qualifying Clinical Trials

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 has waived review

11. **SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL**

12. **TYPED NAME**
    - Kevin Bagley

13. **TITLE**
    - Director, Division of Medicaid & Long-Term Care

14. **DATE SUBMITTED**
    - March 28, 2022

15. **RETURN TO**
    - Dawn Kastens
    - Division of Medicaid & Long-Term Care
    - Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
    - 301 Centennial Mall South
    - Lincoln, NE 68509

16. **DATE RECEIVED**
    - March 28, 2022

17. **DATE APPROVED**
    - June 16, 2022

18. **EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL**
    - January 1, 2022

19. **SIGNATURE OF**

20. **TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL**
    - Ruth A. Hughes

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

22. **REMARKS**
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Provided: X

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X A qualified clinical trial is a clinical trial that meets the definition at section 1905(gg)(2).

Coverage Determination – Section 1905(gg)(3)

X A determination with respect to coverage for an individual participating in a qualified clinical trial will be made in accordance with section 1905(gg)(3).

PRA Disclosure Statement - This information is being collected to assist the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services in implementing Section 210 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 amending section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act), by adding a new mandatory benefit at section 1905(a)(30). Section 210 mandates coverage of routine patient services and costs furnished in connection with participation by Medicaid beneficiaries in qualifying clinical trials effective January 1, 2022. Section 210 also amended sections 1902(a)(10)(A) and 1937(b)(5) of the Act to make coverage of this new benefit mandatory under the state plan and any benchmark or benchmark equivalent coverage (also referred to as alternative benefit plans, or ABPs). Under the Privacy Act of 1974 any personally identifying information obtained will be kept private to the extent of the law. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The OMB control number for this project is 0938-1148 (CMS-10398 #74). Public burden for all of the collection of information requirements under this control number is estimated to take about 56 hours per response. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to CMS, 7500 Security Boulevard, Attn: Paperwork Reduction Act Reports Clearance Officer, Mail Stop C4-26-05, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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