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Re: Ohio State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0003

Dear Ms. Corcoran:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to add section 7.5.A-3, Disaster Relief SPA Rescissions: Prior Authorizations for Medications, to Ohio's Medicaid State Plan, as submitted under transmittal number (TN) 21-0003. This amendment proposes to rescind a temporary policy previously approved in section 7.5 of the Medicaid state plan through the submission of a Medicaid Disaster Relief SPA.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at section 1902(a) of the Act and implementing regulations. Section 7.5 of the Medicaid state plan provides temporary authority for this provision and is intended to be in effect only for the duration of the COVID-19 public health emergency (PHE). Since Ohio elected not to implement the approved PE flexibilities and does not plan to do so at any time in the future, Medicaid SPA TN 21-0003 is approved effective January 1, 2021.

Enclosed is a copy of the CMS-179 summary form and the approved state plan page.

Please contact Christine Davidson at (312) 886-3642 or by email at Christine.davidson@cms.hhs.gov if you have any questions about this approval.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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7.5.A-3. Rescissions to the State's Disaster Relief Policies for the COVID-19 National Emergency

Effective January 1, 2021 the agency rescinds the election at D.7. of section 7.5 (approved on 05/22/2020 in SPA Number OH-20-0012) of the state plan, which allowed for the expansion of prior authorization for medications by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.