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December 3, 2021

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Re: Ohio State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 21-0019

Dear Ms. Corcoran:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number 21-0019. This amendment proposes to align Ohio's Alternative Benefit Plan with the Medicaid State Plan by adding prior authorization requirements for definitive drug screens for 22 or more drug classes and clarifies limitation language for chiropractic services.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations 42 CFR § 435.733. This letter is to inform you that Ohio Medicaid SPA 21-0019 was approved on December 2, 2021, with an effective date of April 1, 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact Christine Davidson at (312) 886-3642 or via email at [christine.davidson@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:christine.davidson@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

James G. Scott, Director  
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Enclosure

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**Medicaid Alternative Benefit Plan: Summary Page (CMS 179)**

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**State/Territory name:** Ohio**Transmittal Number:***Please enter the Transmittal Number (TN) in the format ST-YY-0000 where ST= the state abbreviation, YY = the last two digits of the submission year, and 0000 = a four digit number with leading zeros. The dashes must also be entered.*

21-0019

**Proposed Effective Date**

04/01/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

**Federal Statute/Regulation Citation**

Section 1937 of the Social Security Act; 42 CFR 440.30

**Federal Budget Impact**

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First Year	2021	\$ 0.00
Second Year	2022	\$ 0.00

**Subject of Amendment**

Alternative Benefit Plan: Adds requirement for prior authorization for definitive drug screen of 22 or more drug classes in Lab & X-ray services (EHB 8); clarifies language regarding limitations for chiropractic services (EHB 1).

**Governor's Office Review**
☐ Governor's office reported no comment

☐ Comments of Governor's office received

Describe:

☐ No reply received within 45 days of submittal

☒ Other, as specified

Describe:

State Medicaid Director is the Governor's designee.

**Signature of State Agency Official**

Submitted By: Patrick Beatty

Last Revision Date: Jun 29, 2021

Submit Date: Jun 29, 2021



# Alternative Benefit Plan

State Name:

Attachment 3.1-L-

OMB Control Number: 0938-1148

Transmittal Number: OH - 21 - 0019

## Benefits Description

ABP5

The state/territory proposes a "Benchmark-Equivalent" benefit package.

### Benefits Included in Alternative Benefit Plan

Enter the specific name of the base benchmark plan selected:

Enter the specific name of the section 1937 coverage option selected, if other than Secretary-Approved. Otherwise, enter "Secretary-Approved."



# Alternative Benefit Plan

## ☒ 1. Essential Health Benefit: Ambulatory patient services

Collapse All ☐

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Physician Services	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
None	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		
Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:		
Physician Services covered in the office, patient's home, hospital, or skilled nursing facility, or elsewhere. Services provided by Optometrists (diagnosis and treatment of condition of the eye including the ordering and dispensing of materials such as contact lenses and low vision aids) are also included under physician services.		

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Outpatient Hospital Services	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
Other	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		
Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:		
Services included under this benefit also include urgent care services provided in outpatient settings such as outpatient clinics, physicians offices. Pre-certification is required on outpatient hysterectomies.		

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Private duty nursing services	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
Prior Authorization	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Level of care is required by the treating physician. Medicaid beneficiaries have three avenues from which to access PDN: post hospitalization services up to 60 days duration and 56 hours per week upon discharge from a 3 day or more covered inpatient stay; for those up to the age of 21 who have a medically necessary PDN authorization; and for those age 21 and over can access PDN with authorization.

Benefit Provided:

Home Health Services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Authorization required in excess of limitation

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

14 hours per week

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

No more than a total of eight hours per day with a visit constituting no more than four hours in length.

Benefit Provided:

Other licensed practitioner services: Chiropractor

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Authorization required in excess of limitation

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

15 dates of services (adults) annual

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

For recipients under age 21, limits include 30 dates of service per 12-month period, and services beyond the limit may be provided if medically necessary; for recipients age 21 and over, limits include 15 dates of service per 12-month period, and services beyond the limit may be provided if medically necessary.

Benefit Provided:

Other laboratory and x-ray: x-ray services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

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# Alternative Benefit Plan

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Benefit Provided:

Hospice Care

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Prior Authorization

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

The attending physician and Hospice physician are required to certify that the beneficiary has six months or less in which to live if the illness runs its normal course.

Benefit Provided:

Other licensed practitioner services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Services included under this benefit include those provided by other practitioners such as Pharmacists, Physician Assistants, Mechanotherapists, Anesthesiologist Assistants, Dietitians, and Advanced Practice Nurses not otherwise described.

Benefit Provided:

Clinic: Ambulatory Surgery Center Services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Amount Limit:

Non

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Add





# Alternative Benefit Plan

## ☒ 2. Essential Health Benefit: Emergency services

Collapse All ☐

Benefit Provided:

Other Medical Services:Emergency Hospital Services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Benefit Provided:

Other Medical Service : Transportation/Ambulance

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Benefit Provided:

Source:

Remove

Authorization:

Yes

Provider Qualifications:

Amount Limit:

Duration Limit:

Scope Limit:



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☒ 3. Essential Health Benefit: Hospitalization

Collapse All ☐

Benefit Provided:

Inpatient hospital services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Certain specific items and services are covered with prior authorization. For example, services such as the treatment of obesity and plastic or cosmetic surgery must be proven to meet a medical need prior to services being rendered.

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☒ 4. Essential Health Benefit: Maternity and newborn care

Collapse All ☐

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Physician services: maternity	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
None	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		
Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:		

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Inpatient hospital services: maternity	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
None	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		
Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:		

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Outpatient hospital: maternity	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
None	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

- ☒ 5. Essential Health Benefit: Mental health and substance use disorder services including behavioral health treatment

Collapse All ☐

- ☒ The state/territory assures that it does not apply any financial requirement or treatment limitation to mental health or substance use disorder benefits in any classification that is more restrictive than the predominant financial requirement or treatment limitation of that type applied to substantially all medical/surgical benefits in the same classification.

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Other licensed practitioner services: NP-LBHP	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
Other	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		
Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:		
Psychological testing is limited to a maximum of 12 hours per 12-month period per recipient, per provider in a non-hospital setting; neuropsychological testing is limited to a maximum of eight hours per 12-month period per recipient, per provider in a non-hospital setting; diagnostic interview examinations are limited to one code per recipient, per provider per 12-month period; structured screening and brief intervention is limited to one code per recipient, per provider per 12-month period. Additional services beyond the established limits may be allowed when medically necessary and approved through the prior authorization process. Evidence-based practices (EBPs) require prior authorization to document medical necessity.		
Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Rehabilitation Services: AOD outpatient services	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
Other	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		
Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:		
Treatment plans are subject to prior authorization. Rehabilitation services for substance use disorders are covered as outpatient services in a certified treatment program and may also include ambulatory detoxification.		
Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Inpatient Hospital Services: Mental Health Inpat.	State Plan 1905(a)	





# Alternative Benefit Plan

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Inpatient services related to mental health disorders.

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Certification for a hospital stay is conducted by an independent clinical utilization review vendor and occurs at the time of admission. The intent of the pre-certification process is to obtain clinical documentation of the admission and provide information that will facilitate the provision of services during the hospital stay. Covered mental health services do not include services provided to individuals aged 21-64 inclusive who reside in facilities that meet the Federal definition of an institution for the treatment of mental disease.

Benefit Provided:

Inpatient Hospital Services: AOD IP Detoxification

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Yes, see description below.

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Coverage of inpatient hospital days for treatment of chemical dependency is limited to coverage of services for detoxification. Rehabilitation services related to chemical dependencies are not covered in an inpatient setting, but are covered as outpatient and residential services in a certified treatment program, See Rehabilitation Services: AOD outpatient services above. Federal Financial Participation is not permitted for services of residents aged 22 - 64 in facilities that meet the Federal definition of an institution for the treatment of mental disease for covered alcohol and other drug treatment other than capitated coverage in an IMD permitted at 42 CFR 438.6(e).

Benefit Provided:

Physician services: MH/SUD Services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

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Benefit Provided:

Outpatient Hospital Services: MH/SUD Outpatient

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

## ☒ 6. Essential Health Benefit: Prescription drugs

- ☒ The state/territory assures that the ABP prescription drug benefit plan is the same as under the approved Medicaid State Plan for prescribed drugs.

### Benefit Provided:

Coverage is at least the greater of one drug in each U.S. Pharmacopeia (USP) category and class or the same number of prescription drugs in each category and class as the base benchmark.

Prescription Drug Limits (Check all that apply.):

- ☒ Limit on days supply
- ☐ Limit on number of prescriptions
- ☐ Limit on brand drugs
- ☐ Other coverage limits
- ☒ Preferred drug list

Authorization:

Yes

Provider Qualifications:

State licensed

Coverage that exceeds the minimum requirements or other:

The State of Ohio's ABP prescription drug benefit plan is the same as under the approved Medicaid state plan for prescribed drugs.



# Alternative Benefit Plan

## ☒ 7. Essential Health Benefit: Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices

Collapse All ☐

- ☒ The state/territory assures that it is not imposing limits on habilitative services and devices that are more stringent than limits on rehabilitative services (45 CFR 156.115(a)(5)(ii)). Further, the state/territory understands that separate coverage limits must also be established for rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices. Combined rehabilitative and habilitative limits are allowed, if these limits can be exceeded based on medical necessity.

Benefit Provided:

Physical therapy and related services: PT

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

30 shared Rehab/Hab visits annually

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

The following services are subject to limits under this benefit: Physical, Occupational, Speech Therapy- 30 dates of services per 12-month period for each service. Additional visits are available through the prior authorization process.

Benefit Provided:

Physical therapy and related services: OT

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

30 shared Rehab/Hab visits annually

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

The following services are subject to limits under this benefit: Physical, Occupational, Speech Therapy- 30 dates of services per 12 month period for each service. Additional visits are available through the prior authorization process.

Benefit Provided:

Physical therapy and related services: ST

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

30 shared Rehab/Hab visits annually

Duration Limit:

None

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Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

The following services are subject to limits under this benefit: Physical, Occupational Speech Therapy- 30 dates of services per 12 month period for each service. Additional visits are available through the prior authorization process. Audiology services are included under the State Plan speech therapy services benefit.

Benefit Provided:

Home health services: Medical supplies, equipment

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Prior Authorization

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Home health services: Medical supplies, equipment, and appliances suitable for use in the home. Includes hearing aids.

Benefit Provided:

Nursing Facility

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Rehabilitative

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Beneficiary must meet level of care to be admitted to a skilled nursing facility.

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☒ 8. Essential Health Benefit: Laboratory services

Collapse All ☐

Benefit Provided:

Other Laboratory and x-ray: Diagnostic Lab

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Yes, see description below.

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

The following lab services are not covered: lab services performed in conjunction with non-covered services, lab services performed for forensic reasons, paternity testing and lab services performed in conjunction with an autopsy. Prior authorization required for definitive drug screen of 22 or more drug classes.

Add





# Alternative Benefit Plan

☒ 9. Essential Health Benefit: Preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management

Collapse All ☐

The state/territory must provide, at a minimum, a broad range of preventive services including: “A” and “B” services recommended by the United States Preventive Services Task Force; Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommended vaccines; preventive care and screening for infants, children and adults recommended by HRSA’s Bright Futures program/project; and additional preventive services for women recommended by the Institute of Medicine (IOM).

Benefit Provided:	Source:	Remove
Preventive services	State Plan 1905(a)	
Authorization:	Provider Qualifications:	
None	Medicaid State Plan	
Amount Limit:	Duration Limit:	
None	None	
Scope Limit:		
None		
Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:		
		Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☒ 10. Essential Health Benefit: Pediatric services including oral and vision care

Collapse All ☐

Benefit Provided:

Medicaid State Plan EPSDT Benefits

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Authorization may be required for services in excess or limits and for Medicaid services not available to adults.

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☐ 11. Other Covered Benefits from Base Benchmark

Collapse All ☐



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☒ 12. Base Benchmark Benefits Not Covered due to Substitution or Duplication

Collapse All ☐

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Outpatient Facility (e.g. Amb. Surgery Ctr.)

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Outpatient hospital services and Ambulatory Surgery Centers under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Primary care visit treatment of illness or injury

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physician services and Other licensed practitioner services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Specialist visit

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physician services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Other practitioner office visit (RN PA)

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physician services and Other licensed practitioner services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.

Base benchmark Plan: no limitations

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Outpatient Surgery Physician Surgical Services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physician services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.





# Alternative Benefit Plan

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Chiropractic care

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Other licensed practitioner services:  
Chiropractor under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.  
Base Benchmark Plan: 12 visits per 12 month period.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Outpatient Rehabilitation services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physical therapy and related services for PT, OT and ST under EHB 7: Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices.  
Base Benchmark Plan: In a 12 month period, 20 PT visits, 20 OT visits, 36 Cardiac Rehabilitation visits, 20 Pulmonary Rehab visits, and 20 Speech Therapy visits.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Hospice services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Hospice care under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services  
Base Benchmark coverage: Patient must have a life expectancy of six months or less, as confirmed by the attending physician. Covered services will continue if the patient lives longer than six months. Services include skilled nursing; diagnostic; PT, speech, and inhalation therapies, if part of a treatment plan; medical supplies; counseling services; prescription drugs given by the Hospice; and home health aide.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Urgent Care Centers or Facilities

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physician services and Outpatient hospital services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Home Care Services: Private Duty Nursing

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Private duty nursing services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services. Translation of state plan maximum of 24 hours per day for 365 days to annual spending for comparison purposes to the Base Benchmark Plan limitations resulted in estimated maximum of more than \$230,000 per year with no lifetime maximum. This was calculated assuming that

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two four hour base rate payments of \$52.20 plus 96 unit rates per 15 minutes over the base rate of 4 hours at \$5.69 per 15 minute unit could be paid per day over a year.  
Base Benchmark Plan: covered under the Home Health Services benefit. Limitation on annual spending of \$50,000 and lifetime maximum of \$100,000.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Home Care Services: Home Health

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Home Health under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.

Base Benchmark Plan: 100 visits, Network and Non-Network combined. Services must be authorized and approved by the attending physician.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Emergency services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Other Medical Services: Emergency Hospital Services under EHB 2: Emergency Services.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Emergency Transportation/Ambulance

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Other Medical Services: Transportation/Ambulance under EHB 2: Emergency Services.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Inpatient Hospital Services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Inpatient hospital services under EHB 3: Hospitalization.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations. Coverage of Inpatient treatment of biologically based mental illness is provided to the same extent and degree as for the treatment of physical illness.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Inpatient Physician and Surgical services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:





# Alternative Benefit Plan

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physician services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Skilled Nursing Facility

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Nursing Facility services under EHB 7: Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices.  
Base Benchmark Plan: 90 days per benefit period.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Pre-natal and Post Natal Care

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physician services: maternity, and Outpatient hospital: maternity under EHB 4: Maternity and newborn care  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Delivery/Inpatient Services for Maternity Care

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Inpatient hospital services: maternity under EHB 4: Maternity and newborn care  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Generic Drugs

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan under EHB 6: Prescription drugs.  
Base Benchmark Plan: Covered services will be limited based on Medical Necessity quantity and/or age limits established by the Plan. Certain limitations within the Generic, Preferred, and Non-preferred drug categories include but are not limited to, contraceptive devices, human growth hormone, compound drugs unless one component requires a prescription, drugs to reduce or eliminate the dependency on, or addiction to tobacco and tobacco products, over the counter drugs, and drugs used in fertility treatment. Prior authorization using Step Therapy is a utilization control device for certain drugs within the Generic, Preferred, and. Non-preferred drug categories.



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<b>Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Preferred Brand Drugs</div>	<b>Source:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Base Benchmark</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; background-color: #f0f0f0;">Remove</div>
<p>Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p>Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan under EHB 6: Prescription drugs.</p><p>Base Benchmark Plan: see limits detailed in Generic drug category above.</p></div>		
<b>Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Non-Preferred Brand Drugs</div>	<b>Source:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Base Benchmark</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; background-color: #f0f0f0;">Remove</div>
<p>Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p>Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan under EHB 6: Prescription drugs.</p><p>Base Benchmark Plan: see limits detailed in Generic drug category above.</p></div>		
<b>Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Habilitation services</div>	<b>Source:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Base Benchmark</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; background-color: #f0f0f0;">Remove</div>
<p>Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p>Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Physical therapy and related services: PT, OT and ST under EHB 7: Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices.</p><p>Base Benchmark Plan: In a 12 month period, 20 PT visits, 20 OT visits, 36 Cardiac Rehabilitation visits, 20 Pulmonary Rehab visits, and 20 Speech Therapy visits.</p></div>		
<b>Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Durable Medical Equipment</div>	<b>Source:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Base Benchmark</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; background-color: #f0f0f0;">Remove</div>
<p>Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p>Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Home health services: Medical supplies, equipment, and appliances suitable for use in the home under EHB 7: Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices.</p><p>Base Benchmark Plan: Authorization required. Non-covered services include, but are not limited to: dentures, dental appliances, orthopedic shoes.</p></div>		
<b>Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Diagnostic Test (x-ray and lab work)</div>	<b>Source:</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Base Benchmark</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; background-color: #f0f0f0;">Remove</div>
<p>Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p>Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Other laboratory &amp; x-ray: x-ray services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services, and as Other laboratory &amp; and x-ray: Diagnostic Lab under EHB 8: Laboratory services.</p><p>Base Benchmark Plan: The only service not covered is diagnostic tests for infertility.</p></div>		





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Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Imaging (CT/PET Scans, MRIs)

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Other laboratory and x-ray: x-ray services under EHB 1: Ambulatory patient services.  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Preventive Care/screening/immunization

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Preventive services under EHB 9: Preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management.  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Mental/Behavioral Health Outpatient Services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid State Plan as OLP: NP-LBHP, Physician Services: MH/SUD services, and Outpatient Hospital Services: MH/SUD outpatient under EHB 5: Mental health and substance use disorder services including behavioral health treatment.  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Mental/Behavioral Health Inpatient Services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Inpatient Hospital Services: Mental Health Inpatient under EHB 5: Mental health and substance use disorder services including behavioral health treatment.  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Substance Abuse Disorder Outpatient Services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Rehabilitation Services: AOD outpatient services under EHB 5: Mental health and substance use disorder services including behavioral health treatment.  
Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Base Benchmark Benefit that was Substituted:

Substance Abuse Disorder Inpatient Services

Source:

Base Benchmark

Remove

Explain the substitution or duplication, including indicating the substituted benefit(s) or the duplicate section 1937 benchmark benefit(s) included above under Essential Health Benefits:

Duplication: covered under the Ohio Medicaid state plan as Inpatient Hospital Services: AOD IP Detoxification under EHB 5: Mental health and substance use disorder services including behavioral health treatment.

Base Benchmark Plan: no limitations.

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☐ 13. Other Base Benchmark Benefits Not Covered

Collapse All ☐



# Alternative Benefit Plan

☒ 14. Other 1937 Covered Benefits that are not Essential Health Benefits

Collapse All ☐

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Dental Services

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

Yes

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2018, the dental benefit for beneficiaries 21 years of age and older includes services in the following categories: clinical oral examination; diagnostic imaging and interpretation; tests and laboratory examinations; preventive services; restorative services; endodontic services; periodontic services; prosthodontic services; oral surgery; orthodontic services; other services and anesthesia.

Prior authorization is required for the following dental services: ceramic crowns, post and core, gingivectomy, gingivoplasty, scaling and root planing, dentures, surgical extractions, comprehensive orthodonture, temporomandibular joint therapy, maxillofacial prosthetics and unspecified procedures not adequately described by a procedure code.

Dental services may be provided in an amount beyond established limits with prior authorization upon a demonstration of medical necessity.

Individuals up to age 21 can access dental benefits without limitation when medically necessary.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Nursing Facility

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Long term custodial care

Other:

Must meet institutional level of care.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Other licensed practitioner: Podiatry

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

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Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Yes, see description below.

Other:

The following podiatric services are not covered by the program: coverage of debridement of nails is limited to a maximum of one treatment within a 60-day period; General anesthesia services provided by a podiatrist are not covered; Coverage of physical medicine services provided by a podiatrist is limited to acute conditions or periods or acute exacerbation of chronic disease. Beneficiaries younger than age twenty-one can access other podiatrists' services without limitation when such services are medically necessary. No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Eyeglasses

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

Yes see description below.

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Yes see description below.

Other:

Adults one pair (lenses and frames) every 24 months. May get additional pair with prior authorization to determine medical necessity for additional service. No spare eyeglasses or replacements due to personal preference. No trimmed frames.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Targeted Case Management

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

Target groups are described in Supplement 1 to Attachment 3.1-A of Ohio's Medicaid state plan.



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Rehabilitation Services: Comm. Psych. Sup. Treat.

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Authorization required in excess of limitation

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

CPST is limited to 104 hours per twelve month period, but additional CPST services beyond the established limit may be allowed when medically necessary and approved through the prior authorization process. CPST is an array of services delivered by community based, mobile individuals or multidisciplinary teams of professionals intended to identify and address the individualized mental health needs of clients of all ages, including the client's family and care givers. The purpose of CPST is to provide specific, measurable individualized services focused on the client's ability to succeed in the community.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

ICF/IID

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Yes, see description below.

Other:

Must meet institutional level of care.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Federally Qualified Health Centers

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Other:

No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Rural Health Clinic services

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Clinic services

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Physician services: Routine eye exam non-pediatric

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

one exam

Duration Limit:

annually



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Free standing birthing centers

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Family planning services

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Ext Svcs to Preg Women: Targeted Case Mgt

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan





# Alternative Benefit Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

Medicaid eligible pregnant women who have been identified by a physician to be at risk of pre-term birth or poor pregnancy outcome.

Other:

Care coordination that facilitates patient access to services and minimizes fragmentation of care. No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Tobacco cessation

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

Tobacco cessation is covered for pregnant women and all other beneficiaries. No other authorization process.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Rehab Services-Therapeutic Behavioral Services

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

Goal-directed supports and solution-focused interventions. Activities included must be intended to achieve the identified goals or objectives as set forth in the individual's treatment plan. The individualized treatment plan is subject to prior authorization. Evidence-based practices (EBPs) require prior authorization to document medical necessity.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Rehab Services-Psychosocial Rehabilitation

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove





# Alternative Benefit Plan

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

Assists individuals with implementing interventions outlined on a treatment plan to compensate for or eliminate functional deficits and interpersonal and/or behavioral health barriers associated with an individual's behavioral health diagnosis. The individualized treatment plan is subject to prior authorization. Evidence-based practices (EBPs) require prior authorization to document medical necessity.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Rehab Services-Residential AOD services

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

Requires prior approval and reviews on an on-going basis as determined necessary by the State or its designee to document compliance with the placement standards.

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Other Licensed Practitioner: Nurse Midwives

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

No other authorization process.



# Alternative Benefit Plan

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Other Licensed Practitioner: Acupuncturist

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Authorization required in excess of limitation

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

Payment for more than thirty acupuncture visits per benefit year requires prior authorization.

Add



# Alternative Benefit Plan

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15. Additional Covered Benefits (This category of benefits is not applicable to the adult group under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Act.)

Collapse All ☐

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