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Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group

March 11, 2022

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Re: North Dakota State Plan Amendment (SPA) ND-21-0024

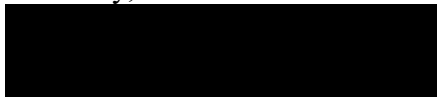
Dear Caprice Knapp:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) completed review of North Dakota's State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number ND-21-0024 submitted on December 27, 2021. The purpose of this SPA is to amend the State Plan to update the PCCM program to allow individuals to change their PCP without cause, and mandates enrollment for 19 and 20-year-old individuals who are eligible under Medicaid expansion.

We conducted our review of this amendment according to statutory requirements of Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing Federal regulations. This letter is to inform you that North Dakota Medicaid SPA Transmittal Number ND-21-0024 is approved effective January 1, 2022.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Marvin Nichols at (215) 861-4242 or via email at marvin.nichols@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,



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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER

2. STATE

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)

a. FFY _____ \$ _____
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7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

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:
Caprice Knapp, Director
Medical Services Division

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

12. TYPED NAME

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14. DATE SUBMITTED

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17. DATE APPROVED

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18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

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22. REMARKS

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Citation Condition or Requirement

1932(a)(1)(A)

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

The State of North Dakota enrolls Medicaid beneficiaries on a mandatory basis into managed care entities (managed care organization [MCOs], primary care case managers [PCCMs], and/or PCCM entities) in the absence of section 1115 or section 1915(b) waiver authority. This authority is granted under section 1932(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (the Act). Under this authority, a state can amend its Medicaid state plan to require certain categories of Medicaid beneficiaries to enroll in managed care entities without being out of compliance with provisions of section 1902 of the Act on statewideness (42 CFR 431.50), freedom of choice (42 CFR 431.51) or comparability (42 CFR 440.230).

This authority may *not* be used to mandate enrollment in Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs), Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plans (PAHPs), nor can it be used to mandate the enrollment of Medicaid beneficiaries described in 42 CFR 438.50(d).

Where the state's assurance is requested in this document for compliance with a particular requirement of 42 CFR 438 et seq., the state shall place a check mark to affirm that it will be in compliance no later than the applicable compliance date. All applicable assurances should be checked, even when the compliance date is in the future. **Please see Appendix A of this document for compliance dates for various sections of 42 CFR 438.**

1932(a)(1)(B)(i)
1932(a)(1)(B)(ii)
42 CFR 438.2
42 CFR 438.6
42 CFR 438.50(b)(1)-(2)

B. Managed Care Delivery System.

The State will contract with the entity(ies) below and reimburse them as noted under each entity type.

1. MCO
 - a. Capitation
 - b. The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.6, regarding special contract provisions related to payment, will be met.
2. PCCM (individual practitioners)
 - a. Case management fee
 - b. Other (please explain below)
3. PCCM entity
 - a. Case management fee
 - b. Shared savings, incentive payments, and/or financial rewards (see 42 CFR 438.310(c)(2))
 - c. Other (please explain below)

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	<p>If PCCM entity is selected, please indicate which of the following function(s) the entity will provide (as in 42 CFR 438.2), in addition to PCCM services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Provision of intensive telephonic case management <input type="checkbox"/> Provision of face-to-face case management <input type="checkbox"/> Operation of a nurse triage advice line <input type="checkbox"/> Development of enrollee care plans. <input type="checkbox"/> Execution of contracts with fee-for-service (FFS) providers in the FFS program <input type="checkbox"/> Oversight responsibilities for the activities of FFS providers in the FFS program <input type="checkbox"/> Provision of payments to FFS providers on behalf of the State. <input type="checkbox"/> Provision of enrollee outreach and education activities. <input type="checkbox"/> Operation of a customer service call center. <input type="checkbox"/> Review of provider claims, utilization and/or practice patterns to conduct provider profiling and/or practice improvement. <input type="checkbox"/> Implementation of quality improvement activities including administering enrollee satisfaction surveys or collecting data necessary for performance measurement of providers. <input type="checkbox"/> Coordination with behavioral health systems/providers. <input type="checkbox"/> Coordination with long-term services and supports systems/providers. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe): _____

42 CFR 438.50(b)(4)

C. Public Process.

Describe the public process including tribal consultation, if applicable, utilized for both the design of the managed care program and its initial implementation. In addition, describe what methods the state will use to ensure ongoing public involvement once the state plan managed care program has been implemented.

(Example: public meeting, advisory groups.)

If the program will include long term services and supports (LTSS), please indicate how the views of stakeholders have been, and will continue to be, solicited and addressed during the design, implementation, and oversight of the program, including plans for a member advisory committee (42 CFR 438.70 and 438.110)

The design of the program is to allow Medicaid enrollees to select a Primary Care Provider (PCP) to provide, through an ongoing patient/provider relationship, primary care services and referral for all necessary services.

The State will consult with the Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee and the Department of Human Services/Tribal Health/Indian Health Services Committee to ensure on-going public involvement. The North Dakota Medicaid Medical Advisory Committee and the Department of Human Services/Tribal Health/Indian Health

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Services committee meet three to four times per year. The State reports to both committees on program changes. In addition, the state seeks the input of the committee on program changes and implementation options.

D. State Assurances and Compliance with the Statute and Regulations.

If applicable to the state plan, place a check mark to affirm that compliance with the following statutes and regulations will be met.

- 1932(a)(1)(A)(i)(I)
1903(m)
1. The state assures that all of the applicable requirements of section 1903(m) of the Act, for MCOs and MCO contracts will be met.
- 42 CFR 438.50(c)(1)
- 1932(a)(1)(A)(i)(I)
1905(t)
2. The state assures that all the applicable requirements of section 1905(t) of the Act for PCCMs and PCCM contracts (including for PCCM entities) will be met.
- 42 CFR 438.50(c)(2)
1902(a)(23)(A)
- 1932(a)(1)(A)
42 CFR 438.50(c)(3)
3. The state assures that all the applicable requirements of section 1932 (including subpart (a)(1)(A)) of the Act, for the state's option to limit freedom of choice by requiring beneficiaries to receive their benefits through managed care entities will be met.
- 1932(a)(1)(A)
42 CFR 431.51
1905(a)(4)(C)
42 CFR 438.10(g)(2)(vii)
4. The state assures that all the applicable requirements of 42 CFR 431.51 regarding freedom of choice for family planning services and supplies as defined in section 1905(a)(4)(C) will be met.
- 1932(a)(1)(A)
5. The state assures that it appropriately identifies individuals in the mandatory exempt groups identified in 1932(a)(1)(A)(i).
- 1932(a)(1)(A)
42 CFR 438
1903(m)
6. The state assures that all applicable managed care requirements of 42 CFR Part 438 for MCOs, PCCMs, and PCCM entities will be met.
- 1932(a)(1)(A)
7. The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.4, 438.5, 438.7, 438.8, and 438.74 for payments under any risk contracts will be met.
- 42 CFR 438.4
42 CFR 438.5
42 CFR 438.7
42 CFR 438.8
42 CFR 438.74
42 CFR 438.50(c)(6)
- 1932(a)(1)(A)
42 CFR 447.362
42 CFR 438.50(c)(6)
8. The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 447.362 for payments under any non-risk contracts will be met.
- 45 CFR 75.326
9. The state assures that all applicable requirements of 45 CFR 75.326 for procurement of contracts will be met.

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42 CFR 438.66

10. Assurances regarding state monitoring requirements:

Citation

Condition or Requirement

- The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.66(a), (b), and (c), regarding a monitoring system and using data to improve the performance of its managed care program, will be met.
- The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.66(d), regarding readiness assessment, will be met.
- The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.66(e), regarding reporting to CMS about the managed care program, will be met.

1932(a)(1)(A)
 1932(a)(2)

E. Populations and Geographic Area.

1. **Included Populations.** Please check which eligibility groups are included, if they are enrolled on a **Mandatory (M)** or **Voluntary (V)** basis (as defined in 42 CFR 438.54(b)) or **Excluded (E)**, and the geographic scope of enrollment. Under the **Geographic Area** column, please indicate whether the nature of the population's enrollment is on a statewide basis, or if on less than a statewide basis, please list the applicable counties/regions. Also, if type of enrollment varies by geographic area (for example, mandatory in some areas and voluntary in other areas), please note specifics in the **Geographic Area** column. Under the **Notes** column, please note any additional relevant details about the population or enrollment.

A. Mandatory Eligibility Groups (Eligibility Groups to which a state must provide Medicaid coverage)
1. Family/Adult

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
1. Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	§435.110	X			Statewide	
2. Pregnant Women	§435.116	X			Statewide	
3. Children Under Age 19 (Inclusive of Deemed Newborns under §435.117)	§435.118	X			Statewide	
4. Former Foster Care Youth (up to age 26)	§435.150	X			Statewide	
5. Adult Group (Non-pregnant individuals age 19-64 not eligible for Medicare with income no more than 133% FPL)	§435.119	X		X	Statewide	Individuals age 19-20 are mandatory
6. Transitional Medical Assistance (Includes adults and children, if not eligible under §435.116, §435.118, or §435.119)	1902(a)(52), 1902(e)(1), 1925, and 1931(c)(2) of SSA	X			Statewide	
7. Extended Medicaid Due to Spousal Support Collections	§435.115	X			Statewide	

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2. Aged/Blind/Disabled Individuals

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
8. Individuals Receiving SSI age 19 and over only (See E.2. below regarding age <19)	§435.120					ND does not cover populations under 435.120. As a 209(b), ND covers under 435.121.
9. Aged and Disabled Individuals in 209(b) States	§435.121			X		
10. Individuals Who Would be Eligible for SSI/SSP but for OASDI COLA Increase since April, 1977	§435.135			X		
11. Disabled Widows and Widowers Ineligible for SSI due to an increase of OASDI	§435.137			X		
12. Disabled Widows and Widowers Ineligible for SSI due to Early Receipt of Social Security	§435.138			X		
13. Working Disabled under 1619(b)	1619(b), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(II), and 1905(q) of SSA			X		
14. Disabled Adult Children	1634(c) of SSA			X		

B. Optional Eligibility Groups

1. Family/Adult

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
1. Optional Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	§435.220					
2. Optional Targeted Low-Income Children	§435.229	X			Statewide	
3. Independent Foster Care Adolescents Under Age 21	§435.226					
4. Individuals Under Age 65 with Income Over 133%	§435.218					
5. Optional Reasonable Classifications of Children Under Age 21	§435.222					
6. Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage	1902(a)(10)(F) of SSA					

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Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
7. Aged, Blind or Disabled Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash	§435.210 and §435.230					
8. Individuals eligible for Cash except for Institutionalized Status	§435.211					
9. Individuals Receiving Home and Community-Based Waiver Services Under Institutional Rules	§435.217			X		
10. Optional State Supplement Recipients - 1634 and SSI Criteria States – with 1616 Agreements	§435.232					
11. Optional State Supplemental Recipients- 209(b) States and SSI criteria States without 1616 Agreements	§435.234					
12. Institutionalized Individuals Eligible under a Special Income Level	§435.236					
13. Individuals Participating in a PACE Program under Institutional Rules	1934 of the SSA					
14. Individuals Receiving Hospice Care	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (VII) and 1905(o) of the SSA			X		
15. Poverty Level Aged or Disabled	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (X) and 1902(m)(1) of the SSA					
16. Work Incentive Group	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIII) of the SSA					
17. Ticket to Work Basic Group	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XV) of the SSA			X		
18. Ticket to Work Medically Improved Group	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XVI) of the SSA					
19. Family Opportunity Act Children with Disabilities	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XIX) of the SSA			X		
20. Individuals Eligible for State Plan Home and Community-Based Services	§435.219					

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3. Partial Benefits

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
21. Family Planning Services	§435.214					
22. Individuals with Tuberculosis	§435.215					
23. Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer (under age 65)	§435.213			X		

C. Medically Needy

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
1. Medically Needy Pregnant Women	§435.301(b)(1)(i) and (iv)	X			Statewide	
2. Medically Needy Children under Age 18	§435.301(b)(1)(ii)	X			Statewide	
3. Medically Needy Children Age 18 through 20	§435.308	X			Statewide	
4. Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	§435.310	X			Statewide	
5. Medically Needy Aged	§435.320			X		
6. Medically Needy Blind	§435.322			X		
7. Medically Needy Disabled	§435.324			X		
8. Medically Needy Aged, Blind and Disabled in 209(b) States	§435.330			X		

2. **Voluntary Only or Excluded Populations.** Under this managed care authority, some populations cannot be subject to mandatory enrollment in an MCO, PCCM, or PCCM entity (per 42 CFR 438.50(d)). Some such populations are Eligibility Groups separate from those listed above in E.1., while others (such as American Indians/Alaskan Natives) can be part of multiple Eligibility Groups identified in E.1. above.

Please indicate if any of the following populations are excluded from the program, or have only voluntary enrollment (even if they are part of an eligibility group listed above in E.1. as having mandatory enrollment):

Population	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	V	E	Geographic Area	Notes
Medicare Savings Program – Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries, Qualified Disabled Working Individuals, Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries, and/or Qualifying Individuals	1902(a)(10)(E), 1905(p), 1905(s) of the SSA		X		

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Population	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	V	E	Geographic Area	Notes
“Dual Eligibles” not described under Medicare Savings Program - Medicaid beneficiaries enrolled in an eligibility group other than one of the Medicare Savings Program groups who are also eligible for Medicare			X		
American Indian/Alaskan Native — Medicaid beneficiaries who are American Indians or Alaskan Natives and members of federally recognized tribes	§438.14				
Children Receiving SSI who are Under Age 19 - Children under 19 years of age who are eligible for SSI under title XVI	§435.120				
Qualified Disabled Children Under Age 19 - Certain children under 19 living at home, who are disabled and would be eligible if they were living in a medical institution.	§435.225 1902(e)(3) of the SSA				
Title IV-E Children - Children receiving foster care, adoption assistance, or kinship guardianship assistance under title IV-E *	§435.145				
Non-Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Under Age 21*	§435.227				
Children with Special Health Care Needs - Receiving services through a family-centered, community-based, coordinated care system that receives grant funds under section 501(a)(1)(D) of Title V, and is defined by the State in terms of either program participation or special health care needs.					

* = Note – Individuals in these two Eligibility Groups who are age 19 and 20 can have mandatory enrollment in managed care, while those under age 19 cannot have mandatory enrollment. Use the Notes column to indicate if you plan to mandatorily enroll 19 and 20 year olds in these Eligibility Groups.

3. **(Optional) Other Exceptions.** The following populations (which can be part of various Eligibility Groups) can be subject to mandatory enrollment in managed care, but states may elect to make exceptions for these or other individuals. Please indicate if any of the following populations are excluded from the program, or have only voluntary enrollment (even if they are part of an eligibility group listed above in E.1. as having mandatory enrollment):

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Population	V	E	Notes
Other Insurance --Medicaid beneficiaries who have other health insurance		X	
Reside in Nursing Facility or ICF/IID --Medicaid beneficiaries who reside in Nursing Facilities (NF) or Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID).		X	Individuals who reside in a Swing Bed, PRTF or IMD are also exempt.
Enrolled in Another Managed Care Program --Medicaid beneficiaries who are enrolled in another Medicaid managed care program		X	
Eligibility Less Than 3 Months --Medicaid beneficiaries who would have less than three months of Medicaid eligibility remaining upon enrollment into the program			
Participate in HCBS Waiver --Medicaid beneficiaries who participate in a Home and Community Based Waiver (HCBS, also referred to as a 1915(c) waiver).		X	
Retroactive Eligibility --Medicaid beneficiaries for the period of retroactive eligibility.		X	
Other (Please define):		X	Individuals eligible under Medicaid Expansion, as authorized by the Affordable Care Act, who are inmates receiving inpatient services or who have been determined Medically Frail and have selected Traditional Medicaid coverage. Individuals eligible under Refugee Medical Assistance.

1932(a)(4)
 42 CFR 438.54

F. Enrollment Process.

Based on whether mandatory and/or voluntary enrollment are applicable to your program (see E. Populations and Geographic Area and definitions in 42 CFR 438.54(b)), please complete the below:

1. For **voluntary** enrollment: (see 42 CFR 438.54(c))
 - a. Please describe how the state fulfills its obligations to provide information as specified in 42 CFR 438.10(c)(4), 42 CFR 438.10(e) and 42 CFR 438.54(c)(3).

State with voluntary enrollment must have an enrollment choice period or passive enrollment. Please indicate which will apply to the managed care program:

- b. If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state provides an **enrollment choice period**, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(c)(1)(i) and 42 CFR 438.54(c)(2)(i), during which individuals who are subject to voluntary enrollment may make an active choice to enroll in the managed care program, or will otherwise continue to receive covered services through the fee-for-service delivery system.

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i. Please indicate the length of the enrollment choice period:
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- c. If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state uses a **passive enrollment** process, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(c)(1)(ii) and 438.54(c)(2)(ii), for individuals who are subject to voluntary enrollment.
 - i. If so, please describe the algorithm used for passive enrollment and how the algorithm and the state's provision of information meets all of the requirements of 42 CFR 438.54(c)(4),(5),(6),(7), and (8).
 - ii. Please indicate how long the enrollee will have to disenroll from the plan and return to the fee-for-service delivery system:

2. For **mandatory** enrollment: (see 42 CFR 438.54(d))

- a. Please describe how the state fulfills its obligations to provide information as specified in 42 CFR 438.10(c)(4), 42 CFR 438.10(e) and 42 CFR 438.54(d)(3).
- b. If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state provides an **enrollment choice period**, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(d)(2)(i), during which individuals who are subject to mandatory enrollment may make an active choice to select a managed care plan, or will otherwise be enrolled in a plan selected by the State's default enrollment process.
 - i. Please indicate the length of the enrollment choice period:
14 days _____
- c. If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state uses a **default** enrollment process, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(d)(5), for individuals who are subject to mandatory enrollment.
 - i. If so, please describe the algorithm used for default enrollment and how it meets all of the requirements of 42 CFR 438.54(d)(4), (5), (7), and (8).
For those recipients who have not had a PCP previously assigned or claims history within the past 12 months, the system will take the bottom 50% of PCPs that are available for selection, determine the county each PCP is located in, take the recipients that have not had a PCP assigned and determine which county they are in, create subsets for the recipients for each county along with the PCPs located in that county, randomly auto-assign a PCP to the recipient in that county. The bottom 50% of PCPs subset is recalculated upon generation of the auto-assignment report.
- d. If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state uses a **passive enrollment** process, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(d)(2), for individuals who are subject to mandatory enrollment.
 - i. If so, please describe the algorithm used for passive enrollment and how it meets all of the requirements of 42 CFR 438.54(d)(4), (6), (7), and (8).

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3. State assurances on the enrollment process.

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42 CFR 438.54

Place a check mark to affirm the state has met all of the applicable requirements of choice, enrollment, and re-enrollment.

42 CFR 438.52

a. The state assures that, per the choice requirements in 42 CFR 438.52:

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42 CFR 438.52	i. Medicaid beneficiaries with mandatory enrollment in an MCO will have a choice of at least two MCOs unless the area is considered rural as defined in 42 CFR 438.52(b)(3); ii. Medicaid beneficiaries with mandatory enrollment in a primary care case management system will have a choice of at least two primary care case managers employed by or contracted with the State; iii. Medicaid beneficiaries with mandatory enrollment in a PCCM entity may be limited to a single PCCM entity and will have a choice of at least two PCCMs employed by or contracted with the PCCM entity.
42 CFR 438.56(g)	b. <input type="checkbox"/> The state plan program applies the rural exception to choice requirements of 42 CFR 438.52(a) for MCOs in accordance with 42 CFR 438.52(b). Please list the impacted rural counties: <input type="checkbox"/> X This provision is not applicable to this 1932 State Plan Amendment. c. X The state applies the automatic reenrollment provision in accordance with 42 CFR 438.56(g) if the recipient is disenrolled solely because he or she loses Medicaid eligibility for a period of 2 months or less. <input type="checkbox"/> This provision is not applicable to this 1932 State Plan Amendment.
42 CFR 438.71	d. <input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.71 regarding developing and implementing a beneficiary support system that provides support to beneficiaries both prior to and after MCO, PCCM, or PCCM entity enrollment will be met.
1932(a)(4) 42 CFR 438.56	G. <u>Disenrollment.</u> 1. The state will <input type="checkbox"/> / will not X limit disenrollment for managed care. 2. The disenrollment limitation will apply for <u>six months</u> (up to 12 months). 3. X The state assures that beneficiary requests for disenrollment (with and without cause) will be permitted in accordance with 42 CFR 438.56. 4. Describe the state's process for notifying the Medicaid beneficiaries of their right to disenroll without cause during the 90 days following the date of their initial enrollment into the MCO, PCCM, or PCCM entity. (<i>Examples: state generated correspondence, enrollment packets, etc.</i>) A State generated letter is sent to the recipient upon auto-assignment of a provider and describes the right to disenroll without cause during the first 90 days of their enrollment with the Provider. 5. Describe any additional circumstances of "cause" for disenrollment (if any).

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H. Information Requirements for Beneficiaries.

1932(a)(5)(c) 42 CFR 438.50 42 CFR 438.10	X The state assures that its state plan program is in compliance with 42 CFR 438.10 for information requirements specific to MCOs, PCCMs, and PCCM entity programs operated under section 1932(a)(1)(A)(i) state plan amendments.
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I. List all benefits for which the MCO is responsible.

1932(a)(5)(D)(b) 1903(m) 1905(t)(3)	<p>Complete the chart below to indicate every State Plan-Approved services that will be delivered by the MCO, and where each of those services is described in the state’s Medicaid State Plan. For “other practitioner services”, list each provider type separately. For rehabilitative services, habilitative services, EPSDT services and 1915(i), (j) and (k) services list each program separately by its own list of services. Add additional rows as necessary.</p> <p>In the first column of the chart below, enter the name of each State Plan-Approved service delivered by the MCO. In the second – fourth column of the chart, enter a State Plan citation providing the Attachment number, Page number, and Item number, respectively.</p>
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1932(a)(5)(D)(b)(4)	J. <input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that each MCO has established an internal grievance and
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42 CFR 438.228	appeal system for enrollees.
1932(a)(5)(D)(b)(5) 42 CFR 438.62 42 CFR 438.68 42 CFR 438.206 42 CFR 438.207 42 CFR 438.208	<p>K. <u>Services, including capacity, network adequacy, coordination, and continuity.</u></p> <p>X The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.62, regarding continued service to enrollees, will be met.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.68, regarding network adequacy standards, will be met.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.206, regarding availability of services, will be met.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.207, regarding assurances of adequate capacity and services, will be met.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.208, regarding coordination and continuity of care, will be met.</p>
1932(c)(1)(A) 42 CFR 438.330 42 CFR 438.340	<p>L. <input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.330 and 438.340, regarding a quality assessment and performance improvement program and State quality strategy, will be met.</p>
1932(c)(2)(A) 42 CFR 438.350 42 CFR 438.354 42 CFR 438.364 1932 (a)(1)(A)(ii)	<p>M. <input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.350, 438.354, and 438.364 regarding an annual external independent review conducted by a qualified independent entity, will be met.</p> <p>N. <u>Selective Contracting Under a 1932 State Plan Option.</u></p> <p>To respond to items #1 and #2, place a check mark. The third item requires a brief narrative.</p> <p>1. The state will <input type="checkbox"/>/will not X intentionally limit the number of entities it contracts under a 1932 state plan option.</p>

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. <input type="checkbox"/> The state assures that if it limits the number of contracting entities, this limitation will not substantially impair beneficiary access to services.3. Describe the criteria the state uses to limit the number of entities it contracts under a 1932 state plan option. (<i>Example: a limited number of providers and/or enrollees.</i>)4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The selective contracting provision in not applicable to this state plan.

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Appendix A: Compliance Dates (from Supplementary Information in 81 FR 27497, published 5/6/2016)

States must comply with all provisions in effect as of the issuance of this preprint. Additionally, the following compliance dates apply:

Compliance Dates	Sections
For rating periods for Medicaid managed care contracts beginning before July 1, 2017, States will not be held out of compliance with the changes adopted in the following sections so long as they comply with the corresponding standard(s) codified in 42 CFR part 438 contained in 42 CFR parts 430 to 481, edition revised as of October 1, 2015. States must comply with these requirements no later than the rating period for Medicaid managed care contracts starting on or after July 1, 2017.	§§ 438.3(h), 438.3(m), 438.3(q) through (u), 438.4(b)(7), 438.4(b)(8), 438.5(b) through (f), 438.6(b)(3), 438.6(c) and (d), 438.7(b), 438.7(c)(1) and (2), 438.8, 438.9, 438.10, 438.14, 438.56(d)(2)(iv), 438.66(a) through (d), 438.70, 438.74, 438.110, 438.208, 438.210, 438.230, 438.242, 438.330, 438.332, 438.400, 438.402, 438.404, 438.406, 438.408, 438.410, 438.414, 438.416, 438.420, 438.424, 438.602(a), 438.602(c) through (h), 438.604, 438.606, 438.608(a), and 438.608(c) and (d)
For rating periods for Medicaid managed care contracts beginning before July 1, 2018, states will not be held out of compliance with the changes adopted in the following sections so long as they comply with the corresponding standard(s) codified in 42 CFR part 438 contained in the 42 CFR parts 430 to 481, edition revised as of October 1, 2015. States must comply with these requirements no later than the rating period for Medicaid managed care contracts starting on or after July 1, 2018.	§§ 438.4(b)(3), 438.4(b)(4), 438.7(c)(3), 438.62, 438.68, 438.71, 438.206, 438.207, 438.602(b), 438.608(b), and 438.818
States must be in compliance with the requirements at § 438.4(b)(9) no later than the rating period for Medicaid managed care contracts starting on or after July 1, 2019.	§ 438.4(b)(9)
States must be in compliance with the requirements at § 438.66(e) no later than the rating period for Medicaid managed care contracts starting on or after the date of the publication of CMS guidance.	§ 438.66(e)
States must be in compliance with § 438.334 no later than 3 years from the date of a final notice published in the Federal Register.	§ 438.334
Until July 1, 2018 , states will not be held out of compliance with the changes adopted in the following sections so long as they comply with the corresponding standard(s) codified in 42	§§ 438.340, 438.350, 438.354, 438.356, 438.358, 438.360, 438.362, and 438.364

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CFR part 438 contained in the 42 CFR parts 430 to 481, edition revised as of October 1, 2015.	
States must begin conducting the EQR-related activity described in § 438.358(b)(1)(iv) (relating to the mandatory EQR-related activity of validation of network adequacy) no later than one year from the issuance of the associated EQR protocol.	§ 438.358(b)(1)(iv)
States may begin conducting the EQR-related activity described in § 438.358(c)(6) (relating to the optional EQR-related activity of plan rating) no earlier than the issuance of the associated EQR protocol.	§ 438.358(c)(6)

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