Louisiana Medicaid
Hospital Presumptive Eligibility (HPE)
Summary Sheet

What is Hospital Presumptive Eligibility (HPE)?	Participating hospitals may take advantage of HPE to immediately enroll individuals likely to be eligible for Medicaid.
When did HPE become effective?	January 1, 2014, in accordance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, also referred to as ACA.
To participate as a Hospital Presumptive Eligibility Qualified Entity (HPEQE), the hospital must:	• be enrolled as a Louisiana Medicaid provider under the Medicaid state plan or a Medicaid 1115 Demonstration; • not have been suspended or excluded from participating in the Medicaid Program; • notify Louisiana Medicaid of its election to make HPE determinations • agree to adhere to Louisiana Medicaid rules and regulations governing participation in the HPE Program; and • be trained and certified by Louisiana Medicaid to make HPE determinations. • assist individuals with completing an application for regular Medicaid
What populations are eligible through HPE?	• Dependent children under age 19 • Pregnant Women • Parents and Caretaker Relatives • Former Foster Care Children under age 26 • Childless Adults which includes certain individuals needing treatment for breast and/or cervical cancer (BCC)* • Take Charge
What services are covered under HPE programs?	Covered services are the same as for the corresponding Medicaid type case with the exception of HPE Pregnant Women which only covers ambulatory services.

How are HPE eligibility determinations made?	• BHSF Form 1-HPE is the simplified assessment tool used to determine eligibility.
	• The individual must:
	   o Belong to an HPE population
	   o Have income within the Medicaid program limits
	   o Not be currently enrolled in Medicaid
	• Louisiana requires two additional eligibility factors:
	   o State residency
	   o Citizenship Status
	• Hospitals will use a simplified method to calculate income. Full Modified Adjusted Gross Income Criteria is not necessary.
	• Verifications shall not be required

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How long does it take for an individual to be approved for HPE?	Approval is immediate upon completion of assessment. A copy of the BHSF Form 1-HPE is provided as proof of eligibility.
What is the HPE certification period?	The HPE certification period begins the day the hospital makes the HPE determination and ends either: (1) the day the state makes the full Medicaid determination*; or (2) the last day of the month following the month in which the hospital makes the HPE determination, whichever comes first.
How many times may an individual be approved for HPE?	Once every 12 months or once per pregnancy.
What are the MEDS case types for HPE program?	HPE cases will be indicated by category "16". Type case will be the same as the regular Medicaid MAGI case. For example, HPE for a pregnant woman would be 016-013 to correspond with the regular Medicaid case 003-013.
Matching and recovery	Regular FFP match. States will not be permitted to recoup money from the hospital for services rendered during the presumptive eligibility period.
Are there any other special requirements of the hospital?	See Table 1 for performance measure requirements.

Table 1 Performance Indicator	Benchmark
Number of HPE enrollees who also file a BHSF Form 1-A for full Medicaid benefits.	__70__ %
HPE determination also results in HPE enrollee's eligibility for full Medicaid benefits, based on full applications received.	__85__ %
Verify that HPE enrollees have not received HPE coverage within the past 12 months, within the same facility.	__85__ %
Verify that HPE enrollees are not currently enrolled in Medicaid.	__95__ %

*BCC screening and diagnosis must be by a provider certified in the Louisiana Breast & Cervical Health Program, funded by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and administered by the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center (LSUHSC)