

MEDICAID CONTRACT AMENDMENT

IMMINENT PERIL JUSTIFICATION

~~May 18, 2026~~ August 27, 2025

SUSPENDING AGENTS:

CONTRACT AMENDMENT:

MCO 3.0 Contract Amendment 11 provides the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025 rate certification along with the required changes per CMS, LDH, and the Louisiana State Legislature.

JUSTIFICATION:

This amendment provides the Healthy Louisiana Rate Certification for SFY2026 (July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026). Capitation rates are the mechanism by which the MCOs are paid to provide coverage of critical healthcare services to more than 1.6 million managed care enrollees. Any delay in the execution of this amendment has the potential to disrupt and jeopardize the provision of medically necessary services to Louisiana's most vulnerable population.

This amendment is also required to:

- Comply with federal regulations 42 CFR §438.6 (c);
- Add language to align with LDH's participation in CMS' Cell Gene Therapy Model program;
- Remove language regarding the Single Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM) allowing managed care organizations to transition to their own PBS effective October 1, 2025; and
- Add language to comply with House Bill 565/Act 293 of the 2025 Regular Legislative Session, which was signed into law.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

July 1, 2025