

MEDICAID CONTRACT AMENDMENT

IMMINENT PERIL JUSTIFICATION

November 17, 2021

SUSPENDING AGENTS:

CONTRACT AMENDMENT:

MCO Emergency Contract Amendment 8 extends the contract to December 31, 2022 and includes the annual rate certification for calendar year 2022.

JUSTIFICATION:

This amendment extends the termination date of the Department's contracts with the five managed care organizations (MCOs) for one additional year—from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022.

This amendment also establishes new actuarially sound capitation rates for the managed care organizations for calendar year 2022. The current rate certification ends on December 31, 2021. 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.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

December 31, 2021