



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Bureau of Health Services Financing

December 9, 2015

Bill Brooks
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health
DHHS/Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
1301 Young Street, Room #833
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Brooks:

**RE: Louisiana Title XIX State Plan
Transmittal No. 15-0018 Targeted Case Management Foster Care - Adding
Reimbursement for the Department of Children and Family Services - Eligible
Foster Children**

Please refer to the above proposed amendment submitted under transmittal number (TN) 15-0018 with a proposed effective date of July 1, 2015. The SPA proposes to amend the provisions governing targeted case management (TCM) in order to provide reimbursement to the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) for TCM services rendered to Medicaid eligible foster children.

CMS recommended that the State withdraw its response to the request for additional information (RAI) in order to allow more time to resolve outstanding issues with this plan amendment. We now request that the RAI response sent October 29, 2015, be withdrawn. We understand this action will stop the clock on the State Plan amendment.

We appreciate the assistance of Ford Blunt in resolving these issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Ruth Kennedy".

J. Ruth Kennedy
Medicaid Director

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