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Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

**RE: Notification of Louisiana Medicaid State Plan Amendments**

In compliance with the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, the Louisiana Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing is taking the opportunity to notify you of State Plan amendments (SPAs) that may have an impact on your tribe.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPAs. Please provide any comments you may have by **March 30, 2023** to Karen Barnes via email at [Karen.Barnes@la.gov](mailto:Karen.Barnes@la.gov) or by postal mail to:

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Bureau of Health Services Financing  
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Should you have additional questions about Medicaid policy, Ms. Barnes will be glad to assist you. You may contact her via email at the email address above or via telephone at (225) 342-3881.

Thank you for your continued support of the tribal consultation process.

Sincerely,

*Karen H. Barnes* for  
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Attachment

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**State Plan Amendments for Submittal to CMS**  
Request for Tribal Comments  
February 28, 2023

**Medicaid Eligibility Former Foster Care Children**  
**Effective date: January 1, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to adopt provisions in Section 1002(a) of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment (SUPPORT) Act that amend section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IX) of the Social Security Act, to require states to cover individuals who have aged out of foster care from another state, and eliminate the requirement that an individual not be eligible for another mandatory eligibility group (other than the Adult Group) in order to be eligible for the former foster care children (FFCC) group.

**Home Health Program – Authorizing Authority**  
**Effective date: May 20, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing the Home Health Program in order to increase the number of medical professionals that can order home health services and modifies the locations in which home health services may be provided.

**Personal Care Services – Long Term Care**  
**Effective date: May 20, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing long term-personal care services (LT-PCS) in order to update and remove obsolete terminology to reflect the current assessment tool used to determine LT-PCS eligibility, and to ensure that consistent language is used.