



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Office of the Secretary

April 27, 2023

James G. Scott, Director
Division of Program Operations
Medicaid & CHIP Operations Group
601 East 12th Street, Room 0300
Kansas City, Missouri 64106-2898


RE: Louisiana Title XIX State Plan
Transmittal No. 23-0019

Dear Mr. Scott:

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed Louisiana Title XIX State Plan material.

I recommend this material for adoption and inclusion in the body of the State Plan. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Karen Barnes at (225) 342-3881 or via email at Karen.Barnes@la.gov.

Sincerely,


_____, for
Stephen R. Russo, JD
Executive Counsel
Director of Legal Audit and Regulatory Compliance

Attachments (2)

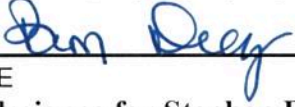
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<p align="center">TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL</p> <p align="center">FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES</p>	<p>1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER 23-0019</p>	<p>2. STATE LA</p>
<p>TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</p>	<p>3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE <u>XIX</u> OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT</p>	
<p>5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION</p> <p>Title XIX of the Social Security Act Section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan Act</p>	<p>4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE May 12, 2023</p>	
<p>7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT</p> <p>Section 7 – General Provisions 7.4.B Page 1 Temporary Extension to the Disaster Relief Policies for COVID-19 National Emergency</p>	<p>6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)</p> <p>a. FFY <u>2023</u> \$ <u>0</u></p> <p>b. FFY <u>2024</u> \$ <u>0</u></p>	
<p>9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT</p> <p>The purpose of this SPA is to extend the COVID-19 disaster relief provisions governing long-term personal care services in order to allow exceptions for the age, education and experience for the personal care services worker qualifications.</p>		

10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)

- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
- COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
- NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:
The Governor does not review State Plan material.

<p>11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL</p> <p align="center"></p>	<p>15. RETURN TO</p> <p>Tara A. LeBlanc, Medicaid Executive Director Louisiana Department of Health 628 North 4th Street P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030</p>
<p>12. TYPED NAME</p> <p>Pam Diez, designee for Stephen R. Russo, JD</p>	
<p>13. TITLE</p> <p>Executive Counsel Director of Legal Audit and Regulatory Compliance</p>	
<p>14. DATE SUBMITTED</p> <p>April 27, 2023</p>	

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<p>16. DATE RECEIVED</p>	<p>17. DATE APPROVED</p>
<p>PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED</p>	
<p>18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL</p>	<p>19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL</p>
<p>20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL</p>	<p>21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL</p>

22. REMARKS

7.4. B Temporary Extension to the Disaster Relief Policies for COVID-19 National Emergency

Effective May 12, 2023 until November 11, 2023, the agency temporarily extends the following elections(s) of Section 7.4 approved on April 20, 2020 in disaster relief SPA LA TN 20-0004 of the State Plan:

Benefits

X The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the State plan:

The State respectfully requests to extend the following disaster provision:

Allow exceptions for the age, education and experience for the personal care services worker qualifications.