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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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July 28, 2023

Mrs. Tara LeBlanc
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Department of Health
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Re: Louisiana State Plan Amendment (SPA) TN 23-0030

Mrs. Tara LeBlanc:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed the proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 23-0030. This amendment proposes to temporarily extend provisions governing preventive services to reimburse ambulance service providers who provide allowable services on site, without transport, while under the supervision of a licensed physician originally approved in Disaster Relief SPA LA 22-0004.

CMS conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations. This letter is to inform you that Louisiana's Medicaid SPA Transmittal Number 23-0030 is approved effective May 12, 2023.

If you have any questions, please contact Tobias Griffin at 214-767-4425 or via email at tobias.griffin@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy
On Behalf of Anne Marie Costello, Deputy Director
Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services

Enclosures

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER
23-0030

2. STATE
LA

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR
CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
May 12, 2023

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION
Title XIX of the Social Security Act

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
a. FFY 2023 \$ **0**
b. FFY 2024 \$ **0**

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT
**Section 7 – General Provisions
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Policies for COVID-19 National Emergency**

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
The purpose of this SPA is to extend the disaster relief provisions governing preventive services in order to reimburse ambulance service providers who provide allowable services on site, without transport, while under the supervision of a licensed physician.

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.

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

12. TYPED NAME
Pam Diez, designee for Stephen R. Russo, JD

13. TITLE
Secretary

14. DATE SUBMITTED
June 27, 2023

15. RETURN TO

**Tara A. LeBlanc, Medicaid Executive Director
Louisiana Department of Health
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16. DATE RECEIVED
June 27, 2023

17. DATE APPROVED
July 28, 2023

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
May 12, 2023

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Alissa Mooney DeBoy

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
**On Behalf of Anne Marie Costello, Deputy Director
Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services**

22. REMARKS

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

Effective May 12, 2023 until May 12, 2024, the agency temporarily extends the following elections(s) of Section 7.4 approved on April 20, 2020, in disaster relief SPA LA TN 22-0004 of the State Plan:

Payments

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

The State respectfully requests to extend the following provision(s):

To address the COVID-19 public health emergency, the State respectfully requests to adjust rates in the physician benefit to reimburse ambulance service providers who provide allowable services on site, without transport, while under the supervision of a licensed physician.