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**Children and Adults Health Programs Group**

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Dear Director Sullivan:

Your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State Plan Amendments (SPA) LA-25-0003 and LA-25-0003-A, submitted on March 7, 2025 and May 6, 2025, respectively, have been approved. The effective date for these SPAs is January 1, 2025.

Through SPA LA-25-0003, Louisiana removes the state's premium lock out period. Through SPA LA-25-0003-A, Louisiana makes corresponding technical edits to its CHIP state plan to demonstrate that the state no longer disenrolls children from coverage due to non-payment of premiums during the continuous eligibility period and no longer implements a premium lock out period.

Your Project Officer is Abbie Walsh. She is available to answer your questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related matters. Her contact information is as follows:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Mary Beth Hance, Acting Director, Division of State Coverage Programs, at (410) 786-1536. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sarah deLone", is positioned above the printed name and title.

Sarah deLone  
Director



# CHIP Eligibility

State Name:

OMB Control Number: 0938-1148

Transmittal Number: LA - 25 - 0003

<b>Separate Child Health Insurance Program Non-Financial Eligibility - Non-Payment of Premiums</b>		<b>CS21</b>
42 CFR 457.570		
<b>Non-Payment of Premiums</b>		
Does the state impose premiums or enrollment fees?	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>	
Can non-payment of premiums or enrollment fees result in loss of CHIP eligibility?	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>	
Does the state have a premium lock out period?	<input type="text" value="No"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The state assures that it provides enrollees with an opportunity for an impartial review to address disenrollment from the program in accordance with section 457.1130(a)(3).		

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