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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

## **RE:** Notification of Louisiana 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 **February 16, 2025**, to Marjorie Jenkins via email at <u>Marjorie.Jenkins@la.gov</u> or by postal mail to:

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing Medicaid Policy and Compliance P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Should you have additional questions about Medicaid policy, you may contact Marjorie at the email address above or by telephone at (225) 342-3881.

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

Sincerely,

Marjorie V. Jenkins for

Kimberly Sullivan, J.D. Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment

KS/MJ/KF

c: Nancy Grano Tobias Griffin

#### State Plan Amendments for Submittal to CMS

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### Services to Incarcerated Youth Effective date: January 1, 2025

The purpose of this SPA is to implement required coverage for incarcerated youth in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), as described in section 5121 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (CAA, 2023).

## Medicaid Purchase Plan Effective date: April 1, 2025

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing the Medicaid Purchase Plan in order to increase the income limit and countable resources.

# Federally Qualified Health Centers – Alternative Payment Methodology Effective date: July 1, 2025

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing reimbursement for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) in order to establish an alternative payment methodology to pay an add-on of \$50 per encounter, in addition to the Prospective Payment System (PPS) rate on file for the date of service.