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Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

December 13, 2023

Drew Snyder **Executive Director** Division of Medicaid 550 High Street, Suite 1000 Jackson, MS 39201

Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment MS-23-0015

Dear Drew Snyder,

On May 25, 2023, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received Mississippi State Plan Amendment (SPA) MS-23-0015, in which the state proposed to elect the option described in section 1902(e)(16) of the Social Security Act to provide 12 months of postpartum coverage to Medicaid-eligible pregnant individuals.

We approve Mississippi State Plan Amendment (SPA) MS-23-0015 with an effective date(s) of April 01, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Tandra Hodges at Tandra. Hodges@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

James G. Scott

Director, Division of Program Operations

Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services

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State Information

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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including SPA 23-0015 is being submitted to extend postpartum coverage for pregnant women from sixty (60) days to twelve (12) Goals and Objectives months, effective April 1, 2023.

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

Federal Budget Impact

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2023	\$12485408
Second	2024	\$24781596

Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

Section 1902(e)(16) of the Social Security Act

Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

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Governor's Office Review

No comment

Ocomments received

No response within 45 days

Other

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The state provides continuous eligibility for pregnant individuals and extended postpartum coverage in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Mandatory Continuous Eligibility for Pregnant Women

The state provides continuous eligibility to pregnant individuals who were eligible and enrolled under the state plan, without regard to any changes in income that otherwise would result in ineligibility, through the last day of the month in which a 60-day postpartum period (beginning on the last day of the pregnancy) ends. This extension does not apply to pregnant individuals eligible only during a period of presumptive eligibility.

B. Optional 12-Month Postpartum Continuous Eligibility for Pregnant Women

The state provides continuous eligibility to pregnant individuals who were eligible and enrolled under the state plan while pregnant (including during a period of retroactive eligibility) through the last day of the month in which a 12-month postpartum period (beginning on the last day of the pregnancy) ends. The 12-month postpartum continuous eligibility option applies for the period beginning on the effective date of this reviewable unit and is available through March 31, 2027 (or other date as specified by law).

Yes

No

- 1. This extension does not apply to pregnant individuals eligible only during a period of presumptive eligibility.
- 2. Full benefits are provided for a pregnant or postpartum individual under this option. This includes all items and services covered under the state plan (or waiver) that are not less in amount, duration, or scope than, or are determined by the Secretary to be substantially equivalent to, the medical assistance available for an individual described in subsection 1902 (a)(10)(A)(i) of the Act.
- 3. Continuous eligibility is provided to pregnant individuals eligible and enrolled under the state plan through the end of the 12-month postpartum period who would otherwise lose eligibility because of a change in circumstances, unless:
 - a. The individual requests voluntary termination of eligibility;
 - b. The individual ceases to be a resident of the state;
 - c. The Medicaid agency determines that eligibility was determined incorrectly at the most recent determination or redetermination of eligibility because of agency error or fraud, abuse or perjury attributed to the individual; or
 - d. The individual dies.

C. Additional Information (optional)

Section 5113 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 eliminated, without replacement, the March 31, 2027, sunset date of the 12-month postpartum continuous eligibility option. Therefore, the durational limit of the option that is described in Section B. does not apply.

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