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**Children and Adults Health Programs Group**

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**SEP 17 2019**

Ms. Teela Sanders  
Acting Director, Children's Health Insurance Program  
201 Monroe Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104

Dear Ms. Sanders:

Your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) state plan amendments (SPA) AL-19-0017-RIM and AL-19-0018-RIM have been approved. These SPAs have an effective date of July 1, 2019.

SPA number AL-19-0017-RIM permits Alabama to implement a health services initiative (HSI) to provide prenatal monitoring, case management and care coordination services to low-income, high-risk pregnant women and their infants in Montgomery, Macon, and Russell counties in order to improve pregnancy outcomes and infant health. Patients will receive services during pregnancy and for up to one year post delivery.

Section 2105(a)(1)(D)(ii) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and 42 CFR §457.10 authorize use of title XXI administrative funding for expenditures for HSIs under the plan for improving the health of children, including targeted low-income children and other low-income children. Consistent with section 2105(c)(6)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR §457.626, title XXI funds used to support an HSI cannot supplant Medicaid or other sources of federal funding.

The state shall ensure that the remaining title XXI funding, within the state's 10 percent administrative limit, is sufficient to continue the proper administration of the CHIP program. If such funds become less than sufficient, the state agrees to redirect title XXI funds from the support of this HSI to the administration of the CHIP program. The state shall report annually to CMS the expenditures funded by the HSI for each federal fiscal year.

SPA number AL-19-0018-RIM permits Alabama to expand coverage for unborn children residing in Montgomery, Macon, and Russell counties with family incomes up to, and including 312 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) whose pregnant mothers are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid. Coverage will include pregnancy-related services including prenatal care for children from conception to birth. A copy of the approved CS9 is attached and is incorporated in section 4.1.9 of the current Alabama CHIP state plan.

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Cassie Lagorio. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related issues. Ms. Lagorio's contact information is as follows:

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Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services, Mail Stop S2-01-16  
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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Lagorio and to Ms. Shantrina Roberts, Deputy Director, Division of Medicaid Field Operations South. Ms. Roberts's address is:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Division of Medicaid Field Operations South  
61 Forsyth Street, SW, Suite 4T20  
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We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,  
/Signed by Anne Marie  
Costello/

Anne Marie Costello  
Director

cc: Ms. Shantrina Roberts, Deputy Director, Division of Medicaid Field Operations South



# CHIP Eligibility

State Name:

OMB Control Number: 0938-1148

Transmittal Number: AL - 19 - 0001

## Separate Child Health Insurance Program Eligibility - Coverage From Conception to Birth CS9

42 CFR 457.10

**Coverage From Conception to Birth** - Coverage from conception to birth when the mother is not eligible for Medicaid.

The CHIP Agency operates this covered group in accordance with the following provisions:

### Age Standard

From conception through birth.

Does the state have an additional age definition or other age-related conditions?

### Income Standards

Income standards are applied statewide.

Select a method of geographic variation:

- Standard varies by county or city.
- Standard varies in some other geographic way.

In each row of the table, you may enter one county if the county has an income standard that is unique to that county. If multiple counties share the same income standard, enter all the counties first, then enter the income standard that applies to those counties.

Add	Counties	From zero up to (% FPL)	Remove
<b>Add</b>	Montgomery, Macon, and Russell Counties	312	<b>Remove</b>

Do you have any cities within your state which have their own separate income standards?

Exempted from requirement of providing or applying for a Social Security Number.

Exempted from requirement of verifying citizenship status.

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