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**State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: AL-14-0016**

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The complete title XXI state plan for Alabama consists of the most recent state plan posted on Medicaid.gov under CHIP and State Plan Amendments. The link is provided below. The following approved templates are in addition to, or replace sections of the state's posted current state plan. The attached approval letter(s) explain how these templates fit into that state plan.

Link to state title XXI state plans and amendments: XXI state plans and amendments:  
<http://medicaid.gov/chip/state-program-information/chipstate-program-information.html>

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**Children and Adults Health Programs Group**

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Cathy Caldwell  
Director  
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Montgomery, AL 36130-3017

Dear Ms. Caldwell:

I am pleased to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) state plan amendment (SPA) number AL-14-0016, submitted on February 14, 2014 and related to Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) Eligibility, with an effective date of January 1, 2014.

In SPA number AL-14-0016, page CS15 provides assurance that the state will apply methodologies based on MAGI for all separate CHIP covered groups. Page CS7 indicates that, using the approved MAGI conversion plan income thresholds, the state will cover targeted low-income children. Page CS10 allows the state to cover children who have access to public employee coverage and updates the supporting documentation. A copy of the approved CS15 is attached and should be incorporated within a separate subsection under Section 4.3 of the state's approved CHIP state plan. A copy of the approved CS7 is attached and supersedes the current Geographic Area, Age and Income Sections 4.1.1, 4.1.2 and 4.1.3 of the current CHIP state plan. A copy of the approved CS10 and its supporting documentation is attached; the CS10 supersedes the current information on dependents of public employees in section 4.4.1 of the current CHIP state plan, and the supporting documentation should supersede the current documentation in an Appendix to the current CHIP state plan.

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

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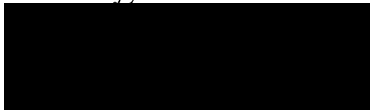
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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Baty and to Ms. Jackie Glaze, Associate Regional Administrator (ARA), in our Atlanta Regional Office. Ms. Glaze's address is:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations  
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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Barbara K. Richards, Acting Director, Division of State Coverage Programs at (410) 786-5920. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff toward the approval of your remaining MAGI Eligibility SPAs.

Sincerely,



Eliot Fishman  
Director

Enclosures

cc:  
Jackie Glaze, ARA, CMS Region IV, Atlanta



# CHIP Eligibility

OMB Control Number: 0938-1148

Expiration date: 10/31/2014

## Separate Child Health Insurance Program Eligibility - Targeted Low-Income Children

CS7

2102(b)(1)(B)(v) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457.310, 315 and 320

**Targeted Low-Income Children** - Uninsured children under age 19 whose household income is within standards established by the state.

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

### Age

Must be under age 19.

### Income Standards

Income standards are applied statewide.  Yes

Are there any exceptions, e.g. populations in a county which may qualify under either a statewide income standard or a county income standard?  No

### Statewide Income Standards

Begin with lowest age range first.

Please note that the lower bound for CHIP eligibility should be the highest standard used for Medicaid poverty-level children for the same age group or groups entered here.

	From Age	To Age	Above (% FPL)	Up to & including (% FPL)	
<b>+</b>	0	19	141	312	<b>X</b>

Age ranges may overlap. If there is an overlap, provide an explanation. Include the age ranges for each income standard that has overlapping ages and the reason for having different income standards.

### Special Program for Children with Disabilities

Does the state have a special program for children with disabilities?  No

### PRA Disclosure Statement



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## Separate Child Health Insurance Program Eligibility - Children Who Have Access to Public Employee Coverage CS10

Sec. 2110(b)(2)(B) and (b)(6) of the SSA

- Children Who Have Access to Public Employee Coverage** - Otherwise eligible targeted low-income children who have access to public employee coverage on the basis of a family member's employment.

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

Select one of the following conditions as described in Section 2110(b)(6) of the Social Security Act:

- Maintenance of agency contribution as provided in 2110(b)(6)(B) of the SSA.  
 Hardship criteria as provided in section 2110(b)(6)(C) of the Social Security Act.

Coverage under this option is extended to children whose household income is:

Select one of the options for the income standard when compared to Targeted Low Income Children

- The same as the standards for Targeted Low-Income Children  
 Lower than the income standards for Targeted Low-Income Children

Indicate whether coverage under this option is extended to all children who have access to public employee coverage, or only certain children:

- All children who have access to public employee coverage  
 Certain children who have access to public employee coverage:

- Attach methodology the state has used to calculate maintenance of agency contribution.

An attachment is submitted.

- The state provides assurance that the state will, on an annual basis, recalculate expenditures for each participating public agency to determine if the maintenance effort condition continues to be met.

- Children who are eligible for public employee health benefits coverage who are not described above are excluded from eligibility under the plan.

- Children considered to have access to public employee coverage, and therefore not excluded from CHIP through this option, otherwise meet the definition of targeted low-income child provided at 42 CFR 457.310.

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Maintenance of Agency Contribution for Alabama State Employees Insurance Board

Table 1 - Monthly

FY	Employee and Dependent Costs	Employee and Dependent Premium	Agency Expenditures	CPI-U (Medic:	1997 State Expenditure Increased by CPI
1997	\$355.33	\$164.00	\$191.33		\$191.33
1998	\$383.11	\$164.00	\$219.11	3.22%	\$197.49
1999	\$422.33	\$164.00	\$258.33	3.49%	\$204.38
2000	\$469.55	\$164.00	\$305.55	4.06%	\$212.68
2001	\$517.04	\$164.00	\$353.04	4.61%	\$222.49
2002	\$554.40	\$164.00	\$390.40	4.71%	\$232.96
2003	\$632.52	\$164.00	\$468.52	4.02%	\$242.33
2004	\$670.51	\$164.00	\$506.51	4.40%	\$252.99
2005	\$705.23	\$164.00	\$541.23	4.22%	\$263.67
2006	\$724.43	\$164.00	\$560.43	4.01%	\$274.24
2007	\$804.11	\$180.00	\$624.11	4.42%	\$286.36
2008	\$854.71	\$180.00	\$674.71	3.71%	\$296.99
2009	\$922.83	\$180.00	\$742.83	3.17%	\$306.40
2010	\$984.23	\$205.00	\$779.23	3.42%	\$316.88
2011	\$996.10	\$205.00	\$791.10	3.04%	\$326.51
2012	\$1,007.26	\$205.00	\$802.26	3.68%	\$338.53

Table 2 - Annual

FY	Annual Employee and Dependent Costs	Annual Employee and Dependent Premiums	Agency Expenditures	CPI-U (Medic:	1997 State Expenditure Increased by CPI
1997	\$4,263.96	\$1,968.00	\$2,295.96		\$2,295.96
1998	\$4,597.32	\$1,968.00	\$2,629.32	3.22%	\$2,369.89
1999	\$5,067.96	\$1,968.00	\$3,099.96	3.49%	\$2,452.60
2000	\$5,634.60	\$1,968.00	\$3,666.60	4.06%	\$2,552.17
2001	\$6,204.48	\$1,968.00	\$4,236.48	4.61%	\$2,669.83
2002	\$6,652.80	\$1,968.00	\$4,684.80	4.71%	\$2,795.58
2003	\$7,590.24	\$1,968.00	\$5,622.24	4.02%	\$2,907.96
2004	\$8,046.12	\$1,968.00	\$6,078.12	4.40%	\$3,035.91
2005	\$8,462.76	\$1,968.00	\$6,494.76	4.22%	\$3,164.03
2006	\$8,693.16	\$1,968.00	\$6,725.16	4.01%	\$3,290.90
2007	\$9,649.32	\$2,160.00	\$7,489.32	4.42%	\$3,436.36
2008	\$10,256.52	\$2,160.00	\$8,096.52	3.71%	\$3,563.85
2009	\$11,073.96	\$2,160.00	\$8,913.96	3.17%	\$3,676.83
2010	\$11,810.76	\$2,460.00	\$9,350.76	3.42%	\$3,802.57
2011	\$11,953.20	\$2,460.00	\$9,493.20	3.04%	\$3,918.17
2012	\$12,087.12	\$2,460.00	\$9,627.12	3.68%	\$4,062.36

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Maintenance of Agency Contribution for Alabama Public Education Employees Health Insurance Plan

FY	Annual Employee and Dependent costs	Annual Employee and Dependent Premiums	Agency Expenditures	CPI-U (Medical)	1997 PEEHIP Expenditures increased by CPI
1997	4,875.96	1,488.00	3,387.96		3,387.96
1998	5,265.60	1,488.00	3,777.60	3.22%	3,497.05
1999	5,655.24	1,488.00	4,167.24	3.49%	3,619.10
2000	6,044.88	1,488.00	4,556.88	4.06%	3,766.03
2001	6,554.52	1,608.00	4,946.52	4.61%	3,939.65
2002	6,944.16	1,608.00	5,336.16	4.71%	4,125.21
2003	7,333.80	1,608.00	5,725.80	4.02%	4,291.04
2004	7,785.72	1,608.00	6,177.72	4.40%	4,479.85
2005	8,080.04	1,608.00	6,472.04	4.22%	4,668.90
2006	8,502.84	1,608.00	6,894.84	4.01%	4,856.12
2007	9,059.28	1,608.00	7,451.28	4.42%	5,070.76
2008	9,511.92	1,608.00	7,903.92	3.71%	5,258.88
2009	10,541.40	1,608.00	8,933.40	3.17%	5,425.59
2010	11,145.96	1,608.00	9,537.96	3.41%	5,610.60
2011	10,498.44	2,124.00	8,374.44	3.04%	5,781.16
2012	10,725.00	2,124.00	8,601.00	3.70%	5,995.07

\* Estimate on CPI for 2012 - final numbers are not available until February 2014





# CHIP Eligibility

OMB Control Number: 0938-1148

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## Separate Child Health Insurance Program MAGI-Based Income Methodologies

CS15

2102(b)(1)(B)(v) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457.315

- The CHIP Agency will apply Modified Adjusted Gross Income methodologies for all separate CHIP covered groups, as described below, and consistent with 42 CFR 457.315 and 435.603(b) through (i).

In the case of determining ongoing eligibility for enrollees determined eligible for CHIP on or before December 31, 2013, MAGI-based income methodologies will not be applied until March 31, 2014 or the next regularly-scheduled renewal of eligibility, whichever is later.

If the state covers pregnant women, in determining family size for the eligibility determination of a pregnant woman, she is counted as herself plus each of the children she is expected to deliver.

In determining family size for the eligibility determination of the other individuals in a household that includes a pregnant woman:

- The pregnant woman is counted just as herself.
- The pregnant woman is counted just as herself, plus one.
- The pregnant woman is counted as herself, plus the number of children she is expected to deliver.

Financial eligibility is determined consistent with the following provisions:

When determining eligibility for new applicants, financial eligibility is based on current monthly income and family size.

When determining eligibility for current beneficiaries, financial eligibility is based on:

- Current monthly household income and family size.
- Projected annual household income for the remaining months of the current calendar year and family size.

In determining current monthly or projected annual household income, the state will use reasonable methods to:

- Include a prorated portion of the reasonably predictable increase in future income and/or family size.
- Account for a reasonably predictable decrease in future income and/or family size.

Except as provided at 42 CFR 457.315 and 435.603(d)(2) through (d)(4), household income is the sum of the MAGI-based income of every individual included in the individual's household.

Household income includes actually available cash support, exceeding nominal amounts, provided  No by the person claiming an individual described at §435.603(f)(2)(i) as a tax dependent.

- The CHIP Agency certifies that it has submitted and received approval for the conversion for all separate CHIP covered group income standards to MAGI-equivalent standards.

An attachment is submitted.

### PRA Disclosure Statement



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Type of SPA:

- MAGI Eligibility & Methods
XXI Medicaid Expansion
Establish 2101(f) Group
Eligibility Processing
Non-Financial Eligibility

Proposed Effective Date

01/01/2014 (mm/dd/yyyy)

Federal Statute/Regulation Citation

2102(b)(1)(B)(v) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457.310, 315 and 320, Sec. 2110(b)(2)(B) and (b)

Federal Budget Impact

This SPA has a budget impact.

Total budget impact:

State Funds: \$

Federal Funds: \$

Subject of Amendment

Please provide a brief summary of SPA changes.

Character Count: 132 out of 2000

Eligibility - Targeted Low-Income Children and Children Who Have  
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Methodologies

### Signature of State Agency Official

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