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The complete title XXI state plan for New Mexico 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: <u>http://medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Childrens-Health-Insurance-Program-CHIP/CHIP-State-Program-Information.html</u>

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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

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Ms. Julie Weinberg Director Medical Assistance Division NM Human Services Department 2025 South Pacheco, Ark Plaza P.O. Box 2348 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2348

Dear Ms. Weinberg:

I am pleased to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has approved your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) state plan amendment (SPA) number NM-14-0011 submitted on May 23, 2014. This SPA relates to Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) Eligibility and has an effective date of January 1, 2014.

The SPA number NM-14-0011 describes the state's plan to provide coverage in a separate CHIP, for children subject to Section 2101(f) of the Affordable Care Act, as specified in the state's submission of CS14: Children Ineligible for Medicaid as a Result of the Elimination of Income Disregards. A copy of the approved CS14 is attached, and should be incorporated within a separate subsection under Section 4.1 of New Mexico's approved CHIP state plan.

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

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services Mail Stop: S2-01-16 7500 Security Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21244-1850 Telephone: (410) 786-2167 Facsimile: (410) 786-5882 E-mail: <u>Victoria.Collins@cms.hhs.gov</u>

Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Collins and to Mr. Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator (ARA) in our Dallas Regional Office. Mr. Brooks' address is: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Office of the Regional Administrator 1301 Young Street, Suite 714 Dallas, TX 75202

Congratulations on the approval. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff toward the approval of your remaining MAGI Eligibility SPAs. If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Barbara K. Richards, Acting Director, Division of State Coverage Programs at (410) 786-5920.

Sincerely		

Eliot Fishman Director

Enclosure

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Bill Brooks, ARA, CMS Region VI, Dallas

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CHIP Eligibility

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Child Health Insurance Program Eligibility - Children Ineligible for Medicaid as a Result of the Elimination of Income Disregards
Section 2101(f) of the ACA and 42 CFR 457.310(d)
Children Ineligible for Medicaid as a Result of the Elimination of Income Disregards
The CHIP agency provides coverage for this group of children as follows:
C The state has received approval from CMS to maintain Medicaid eligibility for children who would otherwise be subject to Section 2101(f) such that no child in the state will be subject to this provision.
The state assures that separate CHIP coverage will be provided for children ineligible for Medicaid due to the elimination of income disregards in accordance with 42 CFR 457.310(d). Coverage for this population will cease when the last child protected from loss of Medicaid coverage as a result of the elimination of income disregards has been afforded 12 months of coverage in a separate CHIP (expected to be no later than April 1, 2016).
Describe the methodology used by the state to identify and enroll children in a separate CHIP who are subject to the protection afforded by Section 2101(f) of the Affordable Care Act:
C The state has demonstrated and CMS has agreed that all children qualifying for section 2101(f) protection will qualify for the state's existing separate CHIP.
The state will enroll all children in a separate CHIP who lose Medicaid eligibility because of an increase in family income at their first renewal applying MAGI methods.
The state will enroll children in a separate CHIP whose family income falls above the converted MAGI Medicaid FPL but at or below the following percentage of FPL. The state has demonstrated and CMS has agreed that all or almost all the children who would have maintained Medicaid eligibility if former disregards were applied will be within this income range and therefore covered in the separate CHIP.
% FPL
The state will enroll children in a separate CHIP who are found to be ineligible for Medicaid based on MAGI but whose family income has not increased since the child's last determination of Medicaid eligibility or who would have remained eligible for Medicaid (based on the 2013 Medicaid income standard) if the value of their 2013 disregards had been applied to the family income as determined by MAGI methodology.
(Other.
The state will identify children protected by Section 2101(f) and enroll such children in a separate CHIP based on the following methodology and procedures as approved by CMS.
New Mexico will enroll children whose family income falls above the converted MAGI Medicaid FPL, but below the following percentages of FPL: Children 0 to 6: 307% FPL Children 6 to 19: 245% FPL
Describe the benefits provided to this population:

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This population will be provided the same benefits as are provided to children in the state's Medicaid program.

C This population will be provided the same benefits as are provided to children in the state's separate CHIP.

C Other (consistent with Section 2103 of the SSA and 42 CFR 457 Subpart D).

Describe premiums and cost sharing required of this population:

© Cost sharing is the same as for children in the Medicaid program.

C Premiums and cost sharing are the same as for targeted low-income children in the state's separate CHIP.

C No premiums, copayments, deductibles. coinsurance or other cost sharing is required.

C Other premiums and/or cost-sharing requirements (consistent with Section 2103(e) of the SSA and 42 CFR 457 Subpart E).

PRA Disclosure Statement

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