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July 1, 2014

Ms. Stephanie Azar, Acting Commissioner
Alabama Medicaid Agency
501 Dexter Avenue
Post Office Box 5624
Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624

Re: Title XIX State Plan Amendment, AL 13-0017-MM2

Dear Ms. Azar:

Enclosed is an approved copy of Alabama's state plan amendment (SPA) AL-13-0017-MM2, which was submitted to CMS on November 18, 2013. SPA AL-13-0017-MM2 incorporates the MAGI-based eligibility process requirements, including the single streamlined application, into Alabama's Medicaid state plan in accordance with the Affordable Care Act. This SPA was approved on June 30, 2014. The effective date of this SPA is October 1, 2013. The approval of SPA AL-13-0017-MM2 includes full approval of your state's alternative single streamlined paper and online applications.

Enclosed is a copy of the following S94 state plan pages and attachments to be incorporated within a separate section at the end of Alabama's approved state plan:

- S94, pages S94-1 and S94-2
- Attachment 1 – Alternative Single Streamlined Paper Application
- Attachment 2- Alternative Single Streamlined Online Application

CMS appreciates the significant amount of work your staff dedicated to preparing this state plan amendment. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact Alice Hogan at Alice.Hogan@cms.hhs.gov or 404-562-7432.

Sincerely,

//s//

Jackie Glaze
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures

Medicaid State Plan Eligibility: Summary Page (CMS 179)

- State/Territory name:

Alabama

- **Transmittal Number:**

Please enter the Transmittal Number (TN) in the format ST-YY-0000 where ST= the state abbreviation, YY = the last two digits of the submission year, and 0000 = a four digit number with leading zeros. The dashes must also be entered.

AL-13-001

- **Proposed Effective Date**

10/01/2013 (mm/dd/yyyy)

- **Federal Statute/Regulation Citation**

42 CFR 431

- **Federal Budget Impact**

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First Year	2014	\$ 0.00
Second Year	2015	\$ 0.00

- **Subject of Amendment**

Character Count: out of 2000

Eligibility Process- single stream

• Governor's Office Review

- Governor's office reported no comment
- Comments of Governor's office received

Describe:

- No reply received within 45 days of submittal
- Other, as specified

Describe:

Character Count: out of 2000

Governor's designee on file via

• Signature of State Agency Official

Submitted By:

Sharon Weaver

- Last Revision Date: Jun 13, 2014
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- Submit Date: Nov 18, 2013



Medicaid Eligibility

OMB Control Number 0938-1148

OMB Expiration date: 10/31/2014

General Eligibility Requirements Eligibility Process S94

42 CFR 435, Subpart J and Subpart M

Eligibility Process

- The state meets all the requirements of 42 CFR 435, Subpart J for processing applications, determining and verifying eligibility, and furnishing Medicaid.

Application Processing

Indicate which application the agency uses for individuals applying for coverage who may be eligible based on the applicable modified adjusted gross income standard.

- The single, streamlined application for all insurance affordability programs, developed by the Secretary in accordance with section 1413(b)(1)(A) of the Affordable Care Act

- An alternative single, streamlined application developed by the state in accordance with section 1413(b)(1)(B) of the Affordable Care Act and approved by the Secretary, which may be no more burdensome than the streamlined application developed by the Secretary.

An attachment is submitted.

- An alternative application used to apply for multiple human service programs approved by the Secretary, provided that the agency makes readily available the single or alternative application used only for insurance affordability programs to individuals seeking assistance only through such programs.

An attachment is submitted.

Indicate which application the agency uses for individuals applying for coverage who may be eligible on a basis other than the applicable modified adjusted gross income standard:

- The single, streamlined application developed by the Secretary or one of the alternate forms developed by the state and approved by the Secretary, and supplemental forms to collect additional information needed to determine eligibility on such other basis, submitted to the Secretary.

An attachment is submitted.

- An application designed specifically to determine eligibility on a basis other than the applicable MAGI standard which minimizes the burden on applicants, submitted to the Secretary.

An attachment is submitted.

The agency's procedures permit an individual, or authorized person acting on behalf of the individual, to submit an application via the internet website described in 42 CFR 435.1200(f), by telephone, via mail, and in person.

The agency also accepts applications by other electronic means:

- Yes No



Medicaid Eligibility

- The agency has procedures to take applications, assist applicants and perform initial processing of applications for the eligibility groups listed below at locations other than those used for the receipt and processing of applications for the title IV-A program, including Federally-qualified health centers and disproportionate share hospitals.

Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives

Pregnant Women

Infants and Children under Age 19

Redetermination Processing

- Redeterminations of eligibility for individuals whose financial eligibility is based on the applicable modified adjusted gross income standard are performed as follows, consistent with 42 CFR 435.916:
- Once every 12 months
 - Without requiring information from the individual if able to do so based on reliable information contained in the individual's account or other more current information available to the agency

If the agency cannot determine eligibility solely on the basis of the information available to it, or otherwise needs additional information to complete the redetermination, it provides the individual with a pre-populated renewal form containing the information already available.

- Redeterminations of eligibility for individuals whose financial eligibility is not based on the applicable modified adjusted gross income standard are performed, consistent with 42 CFR 435.916 (check all that apply):
- Once every 12 months
 - Once every 6 months
 - Other, more often than once every 12 months

Coordination of Eligibility and Enrollment

- The state meets all the requirements of 42 CFR 435, Subpart M relative to coordination of eligibility and enrollment between Medicaid, CHIP, Exchanges and other insurance affordability programs. The single state agency has entered into agreements with the Exchange and with other agencies administering insurance affordability programs.
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