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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 17-0010

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH - REGION VI

September 7, 2017

Our Reference: SPA LA 17-0010

Ms. Jen Steele, State Medicaid Director
Department of Health and Hospitals
628 North 4th St.
Post Office Box 91030
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Attention: Karen Barnes

Dear Ms. Steele:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Louisiana State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 17-0010 dated June 15, 2017. This state plan amendment proposes to exclude the Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Payment (LaHIPP) enrollees from participation in managed care for physical and behavioral health.

Based on the information submitted, we have approved the amendment for incorporation into the official Louisiana State Plan with an effective date change of April 20, 2017. A copy of the CMS-179 and approved plan pages are enclosed with this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley at (214) 767-6278 or by email at Cheryl.Rupley@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of Bill Brooks.

Bill Brooks
Associate Regional Administrator

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:

17-0010

2. STATE

Louisiana

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

April 20, 2017

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):

NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:

Section 1932(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:

a. FFY 2017 \$0

b. FFY 2018 \$0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 3.1-F, Page 7

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN
SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):

Same (TN 16-0003)

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: **The SPA proposes to exclude the Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Payment (LaHIPP) enrollees from participation in managed care for physical and behavioral health.**

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:

The Governor does not review state plan material.

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:



13. TYPED NAME:

Rebekah E. Gee MD, MPH

14. TITLE:

Secretary

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

June 16, 2017

16. RETURN TO:

Jen Steele, Medicaid Director

State of Louisiana

Department of Health

628 North 4th Street

P.O. Box 91030

Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED:

June 16, 2017

18. DATE APPROVED:

September 7, 2017

PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

April 20, 2017

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR:



21. TYPED NAME:

Bill Brooks

22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator

Division of Medicaid & Children's Health

23. REMARKS:

State: Louisiana

Citation	Condition or Requirement
1932(a)(2) 42 CFR 438.50(d)	<p>6. Describe how the state identifies the following groups who are exempt from mandatory enrollment into managed care: (<i>Examples: usage of aid codes in the eligibility system, self-identification</i>).</p> <p>Individuals exempt from mandatory enrollment in managed care under the Section 1932(a) State Plan option can be identified by aid code, program participation and other identifiers. These exempt individuals are mandatorily enrolled in managed care under the Section 1915(b) waiver.</p>
42 CFR 438.50	<p>F. <u>List other eligible groups (not previously mentioned) who will be exempt (excluded) from mandatory enrollment.</u></p> <p>Individuals exempt from mandatory enrollment in managed care under the Section 1932(a) State Plan option are mandatorily enrolled in managed care under the Section 1915(b) waiver unless exempt as described in the 1915(b) waiver.</p> <p>The following Medicaid and/or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) recipients are excluded altogether from participation in a Healthy Louisiana Managed Care Organization (MCO):</p> <p>Individuals who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reside in an ICF/IID (Adults); • receive services through the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE); • have a limited period of eligibility such as eligibility through the Spend-down Medically Needy Program or Emergency Services Only (excluding individuals in a presumptive eligibility period); • are partially dual eligible; • receive coverage under Louisiana's Take Charge Plus program; or • are enrolled in the Louisiana Health Insurance Premium Payment (LaHIPP) program, with the exception of recipients who are enrolled in LaHIPP and receive their behavioral health and transportation services through MCOs.

State: Louisiana
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