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Region VIII

January 19, 2010

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Re: Approval of State Plan Amendment (SPA) MT 10-001

Dear Ms. Dalton:

We have received Montana's State Plan Amendment 10-001. The intent of this SPA is to create a Medicaid Expansion as part of the State's Healthy Montana Kids initiative.

CMS has completed its review of this SPA. We would like to thank State staff for their cooperative efforts with CMS as we worked through a number of hurdles presented by the timing and topic of the SPA. Please be advised that the amendment is approved with an effective date of October 1, 2009.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard C. Allen
Associate Regional Administrator
Divisions of Medicaid and Children's Health

Cc: Duane Preshinger

Citation

Groups Covered

B.
1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIV)
and 1905(u)(2)(B)
of the Act
42 CFR 435.4 and
42 CFR 435.229

Optional Coverage Other Than the Medically Needy (Continued)

- 22. **Optional Targeted Low-Income Children.**
Children younger than age 19 who:
 - a. **Are not eligible for Medicaid under any other mandatory or optional eligibility group or eligible as medically needy (without spenddown liability);**
 - b. **Would not have been eligible for Medicaid under the policies in the State's Medicaid plan in effect on March 31, 1997 (but taking into account the expansion of age eligibility provided for in §1902(l)(1)(D));**
 - c. **Are not covered under a group health plan or other group health insurance (as such terms are defined in §2791 of the Public Health Service Act), other than under a health insurance program in operation before July 1, 1997 offered by a State which received no Federal funds for the program; and**
 - d. **Have family income at or below:**
 - 200 percent of the Federal poverty level (FPL) for the family size involved, as revised annually in the Federal Register; or
 - 133 percent of the FPL, which is in excess of any "Medicaid applicable income level" (as defined in §2110(b)(4) of the Act) but by no more than 50 percentage points.**

The State covers:

- All children described above who are under age 19 (18, 19) with family income at or below 133 percent of the FPL.
- The following reasonable classifications of children described above who are under age 19 (18, 19) with family income at or below the FPL percent specified below for each classification:

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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LESS RESTRICTIVE METHODS OF TREATING INCOME
UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT

- X For poverty-level related children aged 1 up to 19 who are determined eligible under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI) or (VII) or 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIV) of the Social Security Act, disregard any changes in the family's income during the 12-month certification period after the initial determination or redetermination until the next redetermination of the child's eligibility.

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RESOURCE LEVELS

3. Children

- a. Mandatory Group of Children under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI) of the Act.
(Children who have attained age 1 but have not attained age 6.)

 Same as resource levels in the State's approved AFDC plan.
 X Less restrictive than the AFDC levels and are as follows:

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Resource Level</u>
<u> 1 </u>	<u> \$ no resource test </u>
<u> 2 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 3 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 4 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 5 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 6 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 7 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 8 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 9 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 10 </u>	<u> \$ </u>

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RESOURCE LEVELS

- b. Mandatory Group of Children under Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII) of the Act.
(Children born after September 30, 1983 who have attained age 6 but have not attained age 19.)

 Same as resource levels in the State's approved AFDC plan.
 X Less restrictive than the AFDC levels and are as follows:

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Resource Level</u>
<u> 1 </u>	<u>\$no resource test</u>
<u> 2 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
<u> 3 </u>	<u> \$ </u>
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