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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 24-0010

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S2-26-12
Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850



June 26, 2024

Kim Bimestefer, Executive Director
Department of Health Care Policy & Financing
1570 Grant Street
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Colorado State Plan Amendment (SPA) 24-0010

Dear Director Bimestefer:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed the proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 24-0010. This amendment proposes to temporarily extend waiver of premiums for the Buy-In program for Working Adults with Disabilities and the Buy-In program for Children with Disabilities, originally approved in Disaster Relief SPA 21-0043.

CMS conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations. This letter is to inform you that Colorado's Medicaid SPA Transmittal Number 24-0010 is approved effective May 12, 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact Mandy Strom at (303) 844-7068 or via email at Mandy.Strom@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Courtney L. Miller
On Behalf of Anne Marie Costello, Deputy Director
Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services

Enclosures

cc: Adela Flores-Brennan, adela.flores-brennan@state.co.us
Russell Ziegler, Russ.Zigler@state.co.us

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER <u>2 4 — 0 0 1 0</u>	2. STATE <u>CO</u>
3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT <input checked="" type="radio"/> XIX <input type="radio"/> XXI	

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE May 12, 2024
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5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION <u>Social Security Act, Section 1902(a)(10)(ii)(XIII)</u>	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a. FFY <u>2024</u> \$ <u>1,856,297</u> b. FFY <u>2025</u> \$ <u>2,598,816</u>
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7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT <u>Section 7.4.B – Temporary Extension to the Disaster Relief Policies for the COVID-19 National Emergency -- Page 1 of 1</u>	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) <u>Section 7.4.B – Temporary Extension to the Disaster Relief Policies for the COVID-19 National Emergency -- Page 1 of 1 (TN# CO-22-0043)</u>
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9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
This Amendment would extend the waiver of premiums for the Buy-In program for Working Adults with Disabilities and the Buy-In program for Children with Disabilities for another twelve months.

10. 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:
Governor's letter dated 5 April 2023

OFFICIAL	15. RETURN TO Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing 303 E. 17th Avenue, Suite 1100 Denver, CO 80203 Attn: Alex Lyons
12. TYPED NAME <u>Bettina Schneider</u>	
13. TITLE <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>	
14. DATE SUBMITTED April 30, 2024	

FOR CMS USE ONLY

16. DATE RECEIVED <u>April 30, 2024</u>	17. DATE APPROVED <u>June 26, 2024</u>
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PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL <u>May 12, 2024</u>	19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL <u>Courtney L. Miller</u>
20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL <u>Courtney L. Miller</u>	21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL <u>On Behalf of Anne Marie Costello, Deputy Director</u>

22. REMARKS

Section 7 – General Provisions

Section 7.4.B. Temporary Extension to the Disaster Relief Policies for the COVID-19 National Emergency

Effective the day after the end of the PHE until twenty-four (24) months following the end of the PHE, or as otherwise specified in the provisions of Section 7.4.B, the agency temporarily extends the following elections(s) of Section 7.4 (approved on December 15, 2021 in SPA number CO-21-0043) of the state plan:

Benefits:

The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

Premium and Cost Sharing

The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

Waive premiums for the Buy-In program for Working Adults with Disabilities and the Buy-In program for Children with Disabilities