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Department of Health
Bureau of Health Services Financing

Pediatric Day Health Care Program
Moratorium on Provider Enrollment

The Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing provides pediatric day health care (PDHC) services as an optional covered service under the Medicaid State Plan. Pediatric day health care services offer a community-based alternative to traditional long-term care or extended nursing services for children with medically complex conditions. It is designed to meet the medical, social and developmental needs of medically fragile individuals up to the age of 21 who require continuous nursing services and other therapeutic interventions. These services are provided in non-residential settings which are licensed as PDHC facilities and enrolled in the Medicaid Program.

The department established provisions governing the imposition of temporary moratoria, in consultation with the secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, on enrollment of new providers or provider types in the Medicaid Program (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 39, Number 4). The department hereby gives notice of the moratorium on enrollment of pediatric day health care providers through December 31, 2017, in compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Department

of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
Services.

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