

Department of Health and Hospitals Bureau of Health Services Financing

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

May 23, 2014

Mr. Bill Brooks Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health DHHS/Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services 1301 Young Street, Room #833 Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Re: Louisiana Title XIX State Plan

Transmittal No. 14-14

Dental Benefits Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan

Please refer to the above proposed amendment submitted under transmittal number (TN) 14-14 with a proposed effective date of May 1, 2014. The purpose of this amendment is to implement a coordinated dental services system under the Medicaid Program to provide dental services through a statewide dental benefits prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP) administrator.

According to CMS, the State already has a 1915 (b) waiver for dental benefits with an effective date of July 1, 2014 under review and a State Plan Amendment is not needed. Therefore, we request that the State Plan amendment submitted as TN 14-14 be withdrawn from consideration.

Sincerely,

J. Ruth Kennedy Medicaid Director

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