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Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

#### **RE:** Notification of Louisiana Medicaid State Plan Amendments

In compliance with the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, the Louisiana Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing is taking the opportunity to notify you of State Plan amendments (SPAs) that may have an impact on your tribe.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPAs. Please provide any comments you may have by **June 9, 2021** to Karen Barnes via email at <u>Karen.Barnes@la.gov</u> or by postal mail to:

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing Medicaid Policy and Compliance P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Should you have additional questions about Medicaid policy, Ms. Barnes will be glad to assist you. You may contact her via email at the email address above or via telephone at (225) 342-3881.

Thank you for your continued support of the tribal consultation process.

Sincerely,

Karen H. Barnes for

Tara A. LeBlanc Interim Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment (1)

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c: Billy B. Farrell Tobias Griffin Nancy Grano

#### State Plan Amendments for Submittal to CMS Request for Tribal Comments June 8, 2021

# Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics - Alternative Payment Methodology Effective date: December 23, 2020

The purpose of this SPA is to enable federally qualified health centers (FQHC) and rural health clinics (RHC) to be reimbursed outside of the established, all-inclusive prospective payment system (PPS) rate for administration of the COVID-19 vaccine.

### Disaster Relief SPA - Medicaid Administrative Claiming Effective date: March 1, 2020

The purpose of this SPA is to revise the provisions governing Medicaid Administrative Claiming for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment services provided by local education agencies, by waiving the second and third quarter 2020 time studies and using the four most recent time study results to calculate the time study percentage used in the 2020 and 2021 cost reports.