



**State of Louisiana**  
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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 18, 2023** to Karen Barnes via email at [Karen.Barnes@la.gov](mailto:Karen.Barnes@la.gov) or by postal mail to:

Louisiana Department of Health  
Bureau of Health Services Financing  
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P.O. Box 91030  
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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  
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Attachment

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c: Nancy Grano  
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**State Plan Amendments for Submittal to CMS**  
Request for Tribal Comments  
May 19, 2023

**Recovery Audit Contractor**  
**Effective date: August 6, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to request an extension of the exemption from participation in the Recovery Audit Contractor program.

**Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment**  
**Effective date: August 20, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment in order to align with current practices.

**Home Health Services**  
**Effective date: August 20, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing home health services in order to align reimbursement with the Louisiana Medicaid fee schedule.

**Inpatient Hospital Services**  
**Effective date: August 20, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing inpatient hospital services in order to pay a separate prospective per diem rate to qualifying hospitals for well-baby care rendered to infants who are discharged at the same time the mother is discharged.

**Pharmacy Benefit Management Program – Clotting Factor**  
**Effective date: October 1, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing the Pharmacy Benefits Management program in order to: 1) change the reimbursement methodology for clotting factor products to a state generated actual acquisition cost (AAC) ingredient cost and a unit based professional dispensing fee; and 2) limit clotting factor products to pharmacy claims only.

**Pharmacy Benefit Management Program – Professional Dispensing Fee**  
**Effective date: October 1, 2023**

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing reimbursement in the Pharmacy Benefits Management program in order to increase the professional dispensing fee to \$11.81 per prescription.