

## State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Dear Louisiana Tribal Contact:

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

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 a State Plan Amendment (SPA) that may have an impact on your tribe.

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Attached for your review and comments is a summary of the proposed SPA. Please provide any comments you may have by **November 19, 2023,** to Karen Barnes via email at Karen.Barnes@la.gov 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

Kimberly Sullivan, J.D. Interim Medicaid Executive Director

Attachment

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c: Billy B. Farrell Nancy Grano Tobias Griffin

### **State Plan Amendment for Submittal to CMS**

Request for Tribal Comments October 20, 2023

# Medicaid Eligibility – Incurred Medical and Remedial Care Expenses Effective date: January 20, 2024

The purpose of this SPA is to amend the provisions governing incurred medical and remedial care expenses in the determination of financial eligibility for the Medical Assistance Program in order to deduct expenses incurred for necessary medical and remedial care, subject to the reasonable limits, from the individual's income when calculating patient liability to an institution and to limit the time institutions have to report these expenses.