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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

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Ms. Ruth Kennedy Medicaid Director Department of Health and Hospitals P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Dear Ms. Kennedy:

I am pleased to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has approved your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) state plan amendment (SPA) number LA-14-0003, submitted on January 17, 2014, related Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) Eligibility with an effective date of January 1, 2014.

SPA number LA-14-0003 converts the state's existing income eligibility standards to MAGI-equivalent standards, by age group, for children covered in its title XXI-funded Medicaid program. A copy of the approved state plan page (CS3) is attached, and should be incorporated into the state's approved CHIP state plan. This page supersedes the current Medicaid expansion section (4.0) of the current CHIP state plan.

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Victoria Collins. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related issues. Ms. Collins' contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Collins and to Mr. Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator (ARA) in our Dallas Regional Office. Mr. Brooks' address is:

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Office of the Regional Administrator 1301 Young Street, Suite 714 Dallas, TX 75202

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Linda Nablo, Director, Division of State Coverage Programs, at (410) 786-5143. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff toward the approval of your remaining MAGI Eligibility SPAs.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

cc:

Mr. Bill Brooks, CMS Region VI, Dallas



CHIP Eligibility

OMB Control Number: 0938-1148

Expiration date: 10/31/2014

Eligibility for Medicaid Expansion Program

CS3

42 CFR 457.320(a)(2) and (3)

Income eligibility for children under the Medicaid Expansion is determined in accordance with the following income standards:

There should be no overlaps or gaps for the ages entered.

Age and Household Income Ranges

	From Age	To Age	Above (% FPL)	Up to & including (% FPL)	
+	0	6	142	212	X
+	6	19	108	212	X

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