Revision: HCFA-AT-80-38 (BPP)
May 22, 1980

State Wisconsin

Citation
42 CFR 447.25 (b)
AT-78-90

4.20 Direct Payments to Certain Recipients for Physicians' or Dentists' Services

Direct payments are made to certain recipients as specified by, and in accordance with, the requirements of 42 CFR 447.25.

☐ Yes, for ☐ physicians' services

☐ dentists' services

ATTACHMENT 4.20-A specifies the conditions under which such payments are made.

☑ Not applicable. No direct payments are made to recipients.

Revision: HCFA-AT-81-34 (BPP)

State Wisconsin

Citation	4.21	Prohibition Against Reassignment of Provider Claims
42 CFR 447.10(c) AT-78-90 46 FR 42699		Payment for Medicaid services furnished by any provider under this plan is made only in accordance with the requirements of 42 CFR 447.10.

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FEBRUARY 1994

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation

4.22 Third Party Liability

42 CFR 433.137

(a) The Medicaid agency meets all requirements of:

(1) 42 CFR 433.138 and 433.139.
(2) 42 CFR 433.145 through 433.148.
(3) 42 CFR 433.151 through 433.154.
(4) Sections 1902(a)(25)(H) and (I) of the Act.

1902(a)(25)(H) and (I) of the Act

42 CFR 433.138(f)

(b) ATTACHMENT 4.22-A --

(1) Specifies the frequency with which the data exchanges required in §433.138(d)(1), (d)(3) and (d)(4) and the diagnosis and trauma code edits required in §433.138(e) are conducted;

42 CFR 433.138(g)(1)(ii) and (2)(ii)

(2) Describes the methods the agency uses for meeting the followup requirements contained in §433.138(g)(1)(i) and (g)(2)(i);

42 CFR 433.138(g)(3)(i) and (iii)

(3) Describes the methods the agency uses for following up on information obtained through the State motor vehicle accident report file data exchange required under §433.138(d)(4)(ii) and specifies the time frames for incorporation into the eligibility case file and into its third party data base and third party recovery unit of all information obtained through the followup that identifies legally liable third party resources; and

42 CFR 433.138(g)(4)(i) through (iii)

(4) Describes the methods the agency uses for following up on paid claims identified under §433.138(e) (methods include a procedure for periodically identifying those trauma codes that yield the highest third party collections and giving priority to following up on those codes) and specifies the time frames for incorporation into the eligibility case file and into its third party data base and third party recovery unit of all information obtained through the followup that identifies legally liable third party resources.

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Citation

42 CFR 433.139(b)(3)(ii)(A) ___ (c) Providers are required to bill liable third parties when services covered under the plan are furnished to an individual on whose behalf child support enforcement is being carried out by the State IV-D agency.

(d) ATTACHMENT 4.22-B specifies the following:

42 CFR 433.139(b)(3)(ii)(C) (1) The method used in determining a provider's compliance with the third party billing requirements at §433.139(b)(3)(ii)(C).

42 CFR 433.139(f)(2) (2) The threshold amount or other guideline used in determining whether to seek recovery of reimbursement from a liable third party, or the process by which the agency determines that seeking recovery of reimbursement would not be cost effective.

42 CFR 433.139(f)(3) (3) The dollar amount or time period the State uses to accumulate billings from a particular liable third party in making the decision to seek recovery of reimbursement.

42 CFR 447.20 (e) The Medicaid agency ensures that the provider furnishing a service for which a third party is liable follows the restrictions specified in 42 CFR 447.20.

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Citation

4.22 (continued)

42 CFR 433.151(a)

(f) The Medicaid agency has written cooperative agreements for the enforcement of rights to and collection of third party benefits assigned to the State as a condition of eligibility for medical assistance with the following: (Check as appropriate.)

___ State title IV-D agency. The requirements of 42 CFR 433.152(b) are met.

___ Other appropriate State agency(s)--

_____

_____

___ Other appropriate agency(s) of another State--

_____

_____

___ Courts and law enforcement officials.

1902(a)(60) of the Act

(g) The Medicaid agency assures that the State has in effect the laws relating to medical child support under section 1908 of the Act.*

1906 of the Act

(h) The Medicaid agency specifies the guidelines used in determining the cost effectiveness of an employer-based group health plan by selecting one of the following.

___ The Secretary's method as provided in the State Medicaid Manual, Section 3910.

_X_ The State provides methods for determining cost effectiveness on ATTACHMENT 4.22-C.

*According to the Wisconsin Attorney General Opinion (attached), Wisconsin cannot comply with these newly enacted requirements because state legislation is needed. Such legislation is under consideration in this legislative session.

Revision: HCFA-AT-84-2 (BERC)
01-84

State/Territory: Wisconsin

Citation	4.23	Use of Contracts
42 CFR 434.4 48 FR 54013		The Medicaid agency has contracts of the type(s) listed in 42 CFR Part 434. All contracts meet the requirements of 42 CFR Part 434.
		/_/ Not applicable. The State has no such contracts.
42 CFR Part 438		The Medicaid agency has contracts of the type(s) listed in 42 CFR Part 438. All contracts meet the requirements of 42 CFR Part 438. Risk contracts are procured through an open, competitive procurement process that is consistent with 45 CFR Part 74. The risk contract is with (check all that apply):
		_X_ A Managed Care Organization that meets the definition of 1903(m) of the Act and 42 CFR 438.2
		_X_ A Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan that meets the definition of 42 CFR 438.2
		___ A Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan that meets the definition of 42 CFR 438.2.
		___ Not applicable.

Revision: HCFA-PM-94-2 (BPD)
APRIL 1994

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation	4.24	Standards for Payments for Nursing Facility and Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded Services
42 CFR 442.10 and 442.100 AT-78-90 AT-79-18 AT-80-25 AT-80-34 52 FR 32544 P.L 100-203 (Sec. 4211) 54 FR 5316 56 FR 48826		With respect to nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded, all applicable requirements of 42 CFR Part 442, Subparts B and C are met. ___ Not applicable to intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded; such services are not provided under this plan.

Revision: HCFA-AT-80-38 (BPP)
May 22, 1980

State Wisconsin

Citation		
42 CFR 431.702 AT-78-90	4.25	Program for Licensing Administrators of Nursing Homes The State has a program that, except with respect to Christian Science sanatoria, meets the requirements of 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart N, for the licensing of nursing home administrators.

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State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation

1927(g) 42 CFR 456.700 — 4.26 Drug Utilization Review Program

A.1. The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of Section 1927(g) of the Act for a drug use review (DUR) program for outpatient drug claims.

1927(g)(1)(A)

2. The DUR program assures that prescriptions for outpatient drugs are:

-Appropriate
-Medically necessary
-Are not likely to result in adverse medical results

1927(g)(1)(a) 42 CFR 456.705(b) and 456.709(b)

B. The DUR program is designed to educate physicians and pharmacists to identify and reduce the frequency of patterns of fraud, abuse, gross overuse, or inappropriate or medically unnecessary care among physicians, pharmacists, and patients or associated with specific drugs as well as:

-Potential and actual adverse drug reactions
-Therapeutic appropriateness
-Overutilization and underutilization
-Appropriate use of generic products
-Therapeutic duplication
-Drug disease contraindications
-Drug-drug interactions
-Incorrect drug dosage or duration of drug treatment
-Drug-allergy interactions
-Clinical abuse/misuse

1927(g)(1)(B) 42 CFR 456.703 (d)and(f)

C. The DUR program shall assess data use against predetermined standards whose source materials for their development are consistent with peer-reviewed medical literature which has been critically reviewed by unbiased independent experts and the following compendia:

-American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information
-United States Pharmacopeia-Drug Information
-American Medical Association Drug Evaluations

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State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation		
1927(g)(1)(D) 42 CFR 456.703(b)	D.	DUR is not required for drugs dispensed to residents of nursing facilities that are in compliance with drug regimen review procedures set forth in 42 CFR 483.60. The State has never-the-less chosen to include nursing home drugs in: X Prospective DUR X Retrospective DUR.
1927(g)(2)(A) 42 CFR 456.705(b)	E.1.	The DUR program includes prospective review of drug therapy at the point of sale or point of distribution before each prescription is filled or delivered to the Medicaid recipient.
1927(g)(2)(A)(i) 42 CFR 456.705(b), (1)-(7))	2.	Prospective DUR includes screening each prescription filled or delivered to an individual receiving benefits for potential drug therapy problems due to: -Therapeutic duplication -Drug-disease contraindications -Drug-drug interactions -Drug-interactions with non-prescription or over-the-counter drugs -Incorrect drug dosage or duration of drug treatment -Drug allergy interactions -Clinical abuse/misuse
1927(g)(2)(A)(ii) 42 CFR 456.705 (c) and (d)	3.	Prospective DUR includes counseling for Medicaid recipients based on standards established by State law and maintenance of patient profiles.
1927(g)(2)(B) 42 CFR 456.709(a)	F.1.	The DUR program includes retrospective DUR through its mechanized drug claims processing and information retrieval system or otherwise which undertakes ongoing periodic examination of claims data and other records to identify: -Patterns of fraud and abuse -Gross overuse -Inappropriate or medically unnecessary care among physicians, pharmacists, Medicaid recipients, or associated with specific drugs or groups of drugs.

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Citation		
927(g)(2)(C) 42 CFR 456.709(b)	F.2.	The DUR program assesses data on drug use against explicit predetermined standards including but not limited to monitoring for: -Therapeutic appropriateness -Overutilization and underutilization -Appropriate use of generic products -Therapeutic duplication -Drug-disease contraindications -Drug-drug interactions -Incorrect drug dosage/duration of drug treatment -Clinical abuse/misuse
1927(g)(2)(D) 42 CFR 456.711	3.	The DUR program through its State DUR Board, using data provided by the Board, provides for active and ongoing educational outreach programs to educate practitioners on common drug therapy problems to improve prescribing and dispensing practices.
1927(g)(3)(A) 42 CFR 456.716(a)	G.1.	The DUR program has established a State DUR Board either: ___ Directly, or _X_ Under contract with a private organization
1927(g)(3)(B) 42 CFR 456.716 (A) AND (B)	2.	The DUR Board membership includes health professionals (one-third licensed actively practicing pharmacists and one-third but no more than 51 percent licensed and actively practicing physicians) with knowledge and experience in one or more of the following: - Clinically appropriate prescribing of covered outpatient drugs. - Clinically appropriate dispensing and monitoring of covered outpatient drugs. - Drug use review, evaluation and intervention. - Medical quality assurance.
927(g)(3)(C) 42 CFR 456.716(d)	3.	The activities of the DUR Board include: - Retrospective DUR, - Application of Standards as defined in section 1927(g)(2)(C), and - Ongoing interventions for physicians and pharmacists targeted toward therapy problems or individuals identified in the course of retrospective DUR.

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Citation			
1927(g)(3)(C) 42 CFR 456.711 (a)-(d)		G.4	The interventions include in appropriate instances: - Information dissemination - Written, oral, and electronic reminders - Face-to-Face discussions - Intensified monitoring/review of prescribers/dispensers
1927(g)(3)(D) 42 CFR 456.712 (A) and (B)		H.	The State assures that it will prepare and submit an annual report to the Secretary, which incorporates a report from the State DUR Board, and that the State will adhere to the plans, steps, procedures as described in the report.
1927(h)(1) 42 CFR 456.722	___	I.1.	The State establishes, as its principal means of processing claims for covered outpatient drugs under this title, a point-of-sale electronic claims management system to perform on-line: - real time eligibility verification - claims data capture - adjudication of claims - assistance to pharmacists, etc. applying for and receiving payment.
1927(g)(2)(A)(i) 42 CFR 456.705(b)	___	2.	Prospective DUR is performed using an electronic point of sale drug claims processing system.
1927(j)(2) 42 CFR 456.703(c)		J.	Hospitals which dispense covered outpatient drugs are exempted from the drug utilization review requirements of this section when facilities use drug formulary systems and bill the Medicaid program no more than the hospital's purchasing cost for such covered outpatient drugs.

* U.S. G.P.O.:1993-342-239:80043

Citation		
1902(a)(85) and Section 1004 of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT Act)	K.1.	**Claim Review Limitations** • Prospective Safety edit on opioid prescriptions include: o Opioid script limit: Limits the number of opioids allowed in a calendar month. o Opioid quantity limits: Limits the amount of short-acting and/or select long-acting opioids dispensed in a rolling calendar month. o Early refill: Limits when a subsequent opioid prescription can be filled. o Therapeutic Duplication: Limits duplicate fills of select drug classes (i.e. opioids, benzodiazepines, etc.) per DUR Board recommendations. o Morphine milligram equivalents (MME): Alerts the pharmacy when the MME on a claim exceeds the MME limit identified by the state. • Retrospective Lock-In/High Utilization criteria: Review of MMEs, multiple high dose short-acting opioids, receiving more narcotics than intended or is using short-acting opioids when a long-acting formulation is available. • Retrospective reviews on concurrent utilization of opioids and benzodiazepines as well as opioids and antipsychotics on an ongoing periodic basis.
1902(00)(1)(B) and Section 1004 of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT Act)	K.2.	**Programs to monitor antipsychotic medications to children** • Antipsychotic agents are reviewed for appropriateness in all children including foster children based on approved indications and clinical guidelines. • Retrospective letters are sent to prescribers when a child is on an antipsychotic medication that does not have an indication for use in children.
		Fraud and abuse identification • The DUR program has established a process that identifies potential fraud or abuse of controlled substances by enrolled individuals, health care providers and pharmacies.

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May 22, 1980

State Wisconsin

Citation		
42 CFR 431.115(c) AT-78-90 AT-79-74	4.27	Disclosure of Survey Information and Provider or Contractor Evaluation The Medicaid agency has established procedures for disclosing pertinent findings obtained from surveys and provider and contractor evaluations that meet all the requirements in 42 CFR 431.115.

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State/Territory: Wisconsin

Citation	4.28 Appeals Process
42 CFR 431.152; AT-79-18 52 FR 22444; Secs. 1902(a)(28)(D)(i) and 1919(e)(7) of the Act; P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4211(c)).	(a) The Medicaid agency has established appeals procedures for NFs as specified in 42 CFR 431.153 and 431.154. (b) The State provides an appeals system that meets the requirements of 42 CFR 431 Subpart E, 42 CFR 483.12, and 42 CFR 483 Subpart E for residents who wish to appeal a notice of intent to transfer or discharge from a NF and for individuals adversely affected by the preadmission and annual resident review requirements of 42 CFR 483 Subpart C.

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State: Wisconsin

Citation	4.29 Conflict of Interest Provisions
1902(a)(4)(C) of the Social Security Act P.L. 105-33	The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of Section 1902(a)(4)(C) of the Act concerning the prohibition against acts, with respect to any activity under the plan, that is prohibited by section 207 or 208 of title 18, United States Code.
1902(a)(4)(D) of the Social Security Act P.L. 105-33 1932(d)(3) 42 CFR 438.58	The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of 1902(a)(4)(D) of the Act concerning the safeguards against conflicts of interest that are at least as stringent as the safeguards that apply under section 27 of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 423).

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OCTOBER 1987

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State/Territory: Wisconsin

Citation
42 CFR 1002.203
AT-79-54
48 FR 3742
51 FR 34772

4.30 Exclusion of Providers and Suspension of Practitioners and Other Individuals

(a) All requirements of 42 CFR Part 1002, Subpart B are met.

/ / The agency, under the authority of State law, imposes broader sanctions.

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Citation		
	(b)	The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of –
1902(p) of the Act		(1) Section 1902(p) of the Act by excluding from participation—
		(A) At the State's discretion, any individual or entity for any reason for which the Secretary could exclude the individual or entity from participation in a program under title XVIII in accordance with sections 1128, 1128A, or 1866(b)(2).
42 CFR 438.808		(B) An MCO (as defined in section 1903(m) of the Act), or an entity furnishing services under a waiver approved under section 1915(b)(1) of the Act, that –
		(i) Could be excluded under section 1128(b)(8) relating to owners and managing employees who have been convicted of certain crimes or received other sanctions, or
		(ii) Has, directly or indirectly, a substantial contractual relationship (as defined by the Secretary) with an individual or entity that is described in section 1128(b)(8)(B) of the Act.
1932(d)(1) 42 CFR 438.610		(2) An MCO, PIHP, PAHP, or PCCM may not have prohibited affiliations with individuals [as defined in 42 CFR 438.610(b)] suspended, or otherwise excluded from participating in procurement activities under the Federal Acquisition Regulation or from participating in non-procurement activities under regulations issued under Executive Order No.12549 or under guidelines implementing Executive Order No. 12549. If the State finds that an MCO, PCCM, PIPH, or PAHP is not in compliance the State will comply with the requirements of 42 CFR 438.610(c).

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4.30 Continued

State/Territory: Wisconsin

Citation	
1902(a)(39) of the Act P.L. 100-93 (sec. 8(f)) Effective 2-19-88	(2) Section 1902(a)(39) of the Act by-- (A) Excluding an individual or entity from participation for the period specified by the Secretary, when required by the Secretary to do so in accordance with sections 1128 or 1128A of the Act; and (B) Providing that no payment will be made with respect to any item or service furnished by an individual or entity during this period.
	(c) The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of--
1902(a)(41) of the Act P.L. 96-272, (sec. 308(c))	(1) Section 1902(a)(41) of the Act with respect to prompt notification to HCFA whenever a provider is terminated, suspended, sanctioned, or otherwise exldued from participating under this State Plan; and
1902(a)(49) of the Act P.O. 100-93 (sec. 5(a)(4))	(2) Section 1902(a)(49) of the Act with respect to providing information and access to information regarding sanctions taken against health care practitioners and providers by State licensing authorities in accordance with section 1921 of the Act.

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State: Wisconsin

Citation	Condition or Requirement
42 CFR 455.103 1902(a)(38) of the Act Sec. 8(f) of P.L. 100-93	4.31 Disclosure of Information by Providers and Fiscal Agents The Medicaid agency has established procedures for the disclosure of information by providers and fiscal agents as specified in 42 CFR 455.104 through 455.106 and sections 1128(b)(9) and 1902(a)(38) of the Act.
Section 1137 of the Act 42 CFR 435.940 through 435.960	4.32 Income and Eligibility Verification System (a) The Medicaid agency has established a system for income and eligibility verification in accordance with the requirements of 42 CFR 435.940 through 435.960. (b) ATTACHMENT 4.32-A describes in accordance with 42 CFR 435.948(a)(6), the information that will be requested in order to verify eligibility or the correct payment amount and the agencies and the State(s) from which that information will be requested.
1903(r)(3) of the Act	(c) The State has an eligibility determination system that provides for data matching through the Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS), or any successor system, including matching with medical assistance programs operated by other States. The information that is requested will be exchanged with States and other entities legally entitled to verify title XIX applicants and individuals eligible for covered title XIX services consistent with applicable PARIS agreements.

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Citation
1902(a)(48) of the Act, P.L. 99-570 (Section 11005) P.L 100-93 (sec. 5(a)(3))

4.33 Medicaid Eligibility Cards for Homeless Individuals

(a) The Medicaid agency has a method for making cards evidencing eligibility for medical assistance available to an individual eligible under the State's approved plan who does not reside in a permanent dwelling or does not have a fixed home or mailing address.

(b) ATTACHMENT 4.33-A specifies the method for issuance of Medicaid eligibility cards to homeless individuals.

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STATE WISCONSIN

CITATION
1919(h) of the Act
P.L. 100-203
(section 4213)

4.38 Remedies for Nursing Facilities Which Do Not Meet the Requirements for Participation

[ ] The State has established remedies that meet the requirements of section 1919(h) of the Social Security Act.

[X] The State has established alternative remedies under section 1919(h) of the Social Security Act.

[ ] The State has established an incentive program for high quality care under section 1919(h) of the Social Security Act.

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Citation	4.35 Remedies for Skilled Nursing and Intermediate Care Facilities that Do Not Meet Requirements of Participation
1919(h)(1) and (2) of the Act, P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4213(a))	(a) The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of section 1919(h)(2)(A) through (D) of the Act concerning remedies for skilled nursing and intermediate care facilities that do not meet one or more requirements of participation. ATTACHMENT 4.35-A describes the criteria for applying the remedies specified in section 1919(h)(2)(A)(i) through (iv) of the Act.
	☐ Not applicable to intermediate care facilities; these services are not furnished under this plan.
	☐ (b) The agency uses the following remedy(ies):
	(1) Denial of payment for new admissions.
	(2) Civil money penalty.
	(3) Appointment of temporary management.
	(4) In emergency cases, closure of the facility and/or transfer of residents.
1919(h)(2)(B)(ii) of the Act	☒ (c) The agency establishes alternative State remedies to the specified Federal remedies (except for termination of participation). ATTACHMENT 4.35-B describes these alternative remedies and specifies the basis for their use.
1919(h)(2)(F) of the Act	☐ (d) The agency uses one of the following incentive programs to reward skilled nursing or intermediate care facilities that furnish the highest quality care to Medicaid residents:
	☐ (1) Public recognition.
	☐ (2) Incentive payments.

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State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation

4.35 Enforcement of Compliance for Nursing Facilities

42 CFR §488.402(f)

(a) Notification of Enforcement Remedies

When taking an enforcement action against a non-State operated NF, the State provides notification in accordance with 42 CFR 488.402(f).

(i) The notice (except for civil money penalties and State monitoring) specifies the:

(1) nature of noncompliance,
(2) which remedy is imposed,
(3) effective date of the remedy, and
(4) right to appeal the determination leading to the remedy.

42 CFR §488.434

(ii) The notice for civil money penalties is in writing and contains the information specified in 42 CFR 488.434.

42 CFR §488.402(f)(2)

(iii) Except for civil money penalties and State monitoring, notice is given at least 2 calendar days before the effective date of the enforcement remedy for immediate jeopardy situations and at least 15 calendar days before the effective date of the enforcement remedy when immediate jeopardy does not exist.

42 CFR §488.456(c)(d)

(iv) Notification of termination is given to the facility and to the public at least 2 calendar days before the remedy's effective date if the noncompliance constitutes immediate jeopardy and at least 15 calendar days before the remedy's effective date if the noncompliance does not constitute immediate jeopardy. The State must terminate the provider agreement of an NF in accordance with procedures in parts 431 and 442.

(b) Factors to be Considered in Selecting Remedies

42 CFR §488.488.404(b)(1)

(i) In determining the seriousness of deficiencies, the State considers the factors specified in 42 CFR 488.404(b)(1) & (2).

X The State considers additional factors. Attachment 4.35-A describes the State's other factors.

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Citation

c) Application of Remedies

42 CFR §488.410

(i) If there is immediate jeopardy to resident health or safety, the State terminates the NF's provider agreement within 23 calendar days from the date of the last survey or immediately imposes temporary management to remove the threat within 23 days.

42 CFR §488.417(b) §1919(h)(2)(C) of the Act.

(ii) The State imposes the denial of payment (or its approved alternative) with respect to any individual admitted to an NF that has not come into substantial compliance within 3 months after the last day of the survey.

42 CFR §488.414 §1919(h)(2)(D) of the Act.

(iii) The State imposes the denial of payment for new admissions remedy as specified in §488.417 (or its approved alternative) and a State monitor as specified at §488.422, when a facility has been found to have provided substandard quality of care on the last three consecutive standard surveys.

42 CFR §488.408 1919(h)(2)(A) of the Act.

(iv) The State follows the criteria specified at 42 CFR §488.408(c)(2), §488.408(d)(2), and §488.408(e)(2), when it imposes remedies in place of or in addition to termination.

42 CFR §488.412(a)

(v) When immediate jeopardy does not exist, the State terminates an NF's provider agreement no later than 6 months from the finding of noncompliance, if the conditions of 42 CFR 488.412(a) are not met.

(d) Available Remedies

42 CFR §488.406(b) §1919(h)(2)(A) of the Act.

(i) The State has established the remedies defined in 42 CFR 488.406(b).

X (1) Termination
X (2) Temporary Management
X (3) Denial of Payment for New Admissions
X (4) Civil Money Penalties
X (5) Transfer of Residents; Transfer of Residents with Closure of Facility
X (6) State Monitoring

Attachments 4.35-B through 4.35-G describe the criteria for applying the above remedies.

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Citation

42 CFR §488.406(b) §1919(h)(2)(B)(ii) of the Act.

(ii) ___ The State uses alternative remedies. The State has established alternative remedies that the State will impose in place of a remedy specified in 42 CFR 488.406(b).

___ (1) Temporary Management
___ (2) Denial of Payment for New Admissions
___ (3) Civil Money Penalties
___ (4) Transfer of Residents; Transfer of Residents with Closure of Facility
___ (5) State Monitoring.

Attachments 4.35-B through 4.35-G describe the alternative remedies and the criteria for applying them.

42 CFR §488.303(b) 1910(h)(2)(F) of the Act.

(e) ___ State Incentive Programs

___ (1) Public Recognition
___ (2) Incentive Payments

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State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation	4.36	Required Coordination Between the Medicaid and WIC Programs
1902(a)(11)(C) and 1902(a)(53) of the Act		The Medicaid agency provides for the coordination between the Medicaid program and the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and provides timely notice and referral to WIC in accordance with section 1902(a)(53) of the Act.

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State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation			
42 CFR 483.75; 42 CFR 483 Subpart D; Secs. 1902(a)(28), 1919(e)(1) and (2), and 1919(f)(2), P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4211(a)(3)); P.L. 101-239 (Secs. 6901(b)(3) and (4)); P.L. 101-508 (Sec. 4801(a)).	4.38		Nurse Aide Training and Competency Evaluation for Nursing Facilities
		(a)	The State assures that the requirements of 42 CFR 483.150(a), which relate to individuals deemed to meet the nurse aide training and competency evaluation requirements, are met.
	X	(b)	The State waives the competency evaluation requirements for individuals who meet the requirements of 42 CFR 483.150(b)(1).
	X	(c)	The State deems individuals who meet the requirements of 42 CFR 483.150(b)(2) to have met the nurse aide training and competency evaluation requirements.
		(d)	The State specifies any nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs it approves as meeting the requirements of 42 CFR 483.152 and competency evaluation programs it approves as meeting the requirements of 42 CFR 483.154.
	X	(e)	The State offers a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program that meets the requirements of 42 CFR 483.152.
	X	(f)	The State offers a nurse aide competency evaluation program that meets the requirements of 42 CFR 483.154.

Citation	
42 CFR 483.75; 42 CFR 483 Subpart D; Secs. 1902(a)(28), 1919(e)(1) and (2), and 1919(f)(2), P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4211(a)(3)); P.L. 101-239 (Secs. 6901(b)(3) and (4)); P.L. 101-508 (Sec. 4801(a)).	(g) If the State does not choose to offer a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program or nurse aide competency evaluation program, the State reviews all nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs and competency evaluation programs upon request.
	(h) The State survey agency determines, during the course of all surveys, whether the requirements of 483.75(e) are met.
	(i) Before approving a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program, the State determines whether the requirements of 42 CFR 483.152 are met.
	(j) Before approving a nurse aide competency evaluation program, the State determines whether the requirements of 42 CFR 483.154 are met.
	(k) For program reviews other than the initial review, the State visits the entity providing the program.
	(l) The State does not approve a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program or competency evaluation program offered by or in certain facilities as described in 42 CFR 483.151(b)(2) and (3).

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation			
42 CFR 483.75; 42 CFR 483 Subpart D; Secs. 1902(a)(28), 1919(e)(1) and (2), and 1919(f)(2), P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4211(a)(3)); P.L. 101-239 (Secs. 6901(b)(3) and (4)); P.L. 101-508 (Sec. 4801(a)).		(m)	The State, within 90 days of receiving a request for approval of a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program or competency evaluation program, either advises the requestor whether or not the program has been approved or requests additional information from the requestor.
		(n)	The State does not grant approval of a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program for a period longer than 2 years.
		(o)	The State reviews programs when notified of substantive changes (e.g., extensive curriculum modification).
		(p)	The State withdraws approval from nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs and competency evaluation programs when the program is described in 42 CFR 483.151(b)(2) or (3).
	X	(q)	The State withdraws approval of nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs that cease to meet the requirements of 42 CFR 483.152 and competency evaluation programs that cease to meet the requirements of 42 CFR 483.154.
		(r)	The State withdraws approval of nurse aide training and competency evaluation programs and competency evaluation programs that do not permit unannounced visits by the State.

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Citation		
42 CFR 483.75; 42 CFR 483 Subpart D; Secs. 1902(a)(28), 1919(e)(1) and (2), and 1919(f)(2), P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4211(a)(3)); P.L. 101-239 (Secs. 6901(b)(3) and (4)); P.L. 101-508 (Sec. 4801(a)).		(s) When the State withdraws approval from a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program or competency evaluation program, the State notifies the program in writing, indicating the reasons for withdrawal of approval.
		(t) The State permits students who have started a training and competency evaluation program from which approval is withdrawn to finish the program.
		(u) The State provides for the reimbursement of costs incurred in completing a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program or competency evaluation program for nurse aides who become employed by or who obtain an offer of employment from a facility within 12 months of completing such program.
		(v) The State provides advance notice that a record of successful completion of competency evaluation will be included in the State's nurse aide registry.
		(w) Competency evaluation programs are administered by the State or by a State-approved entity which is neither a skilled nursing facility participating in Medicare nor a nursing facility participating in Medicaid.
	X	(x) The State permits proctoring of the competency evaluation in accordance with 42 CFR 483.154(d).
		(y) The State has a standard for successful completion of competency evaluation programs.

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation			
42 CFR 483.75; 42 CFR 483 Subpart D; Secs. 1902(a)(28), 1919(e)(1) and (2), and 1919(f)(2), P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4211(a)(3)); P.L. 101-239 (Secs. 6901(b)(3) and (4)); P.L. 101-508 (Sec. 4801(a)).		(z)	The State includes a record of successful completion of a competency evaluation within 30 days of the date an individual is found competent.
	___	(aa)	The State imposes a maximum upon the number of times an individual may take a competency evaluation program (any maximum imposed is not less than 3).
		(bb)	The State maintains a nurse aide registry that meets the requirements in 42 CFR 483.156.
	X	(cc)	The State includes home health aides on the registry.
	X	(dd)	The State contracts the operation of the registry to a non State entity.
	X	(ee)	ATTACHMENT 4.38 contains the State's description of registry information to be disclosed in addition to that required in 42 CFR 483.156(c)(1)(iii) and (iv).
	X	(ff)	ATTACHMENT 4.38-A contains the State's description of information included on the registry in addition to the information required by 42 CFR 483.156(c).

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January 1993

State/Territory: Wisconsin

Citation		
Secs. 1902(a)(28)(D)(i) and 1919(e)(7) of the Act; P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4211(c)); P.L. 101-508 (Sec. 4801(b)).	4.39	Preadmission Screening and Annual Resident Review in Nursing Facilities
		(a) The Medicaid agency has in effect a written agreement with the State mental health and mental retardation authorities that meet the requirements of 42 (CFR) 431.621(c).
		(b) The State operates a preadmission and annual resident review program that meets the requirements of 42 CFR 483.100-138.
		(c) The State does not claim as "medical assistance under the State Plan" the cost of services to individuals who should receive preadmission screening or annual resident review until such individuals are screened or reviewed.
		(d) With the exception of NF services furnished to certain NF residents defined in 42 CFR 483.118(c)(1), the State does not claim as "medical assistance under the State plan" the cost of NF services to individuals who are found not to require NF services.
	X	(e) ATTACHMENT 4.39 specifies the State's definition of specialized services.

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4.39 (Continued)

X (f) Except for residents identified in 42 CFR 483.118(c)(1), the State mental health or mental retardation authority makes categorical determinations that individuals with certain mental conditions or levels of severity of mental illness would normally require specialized services of such an intensity that a specialized services program could not be delivered by the State in most, if not all, NFs and that a more appropriate placement should be utilized.

(g) The State describes any categorical determinations it applies in ATTACHMENT 4.39-A.

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APRIL 1992

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation Sections		
1919(g)(1) thru (2) and 1919(g)(4) thru (5) of the Act P.L. 100-203 (Sec. 4212(a))	4.40 Survey & Certification Process (a)	The State assures that the requirements of 1919(g)(1)(A) through (C) and section 1919(g)(2)(A) through (E)(iii) of the Act which relate to the survey and certification of non-State owned facilities based on the requirements of section 1919(b), (c) and (d) of the Act, are met.
1919(g)(1)(B) of the Act	(b)	The State conducts periodic education programs for staff and residents (and their representatives). **Attachment 4.40-A** describes the survey and certification educational program.
1919(g)(1)(C) of the Act	(c)	The State provides for a process for the receipt and timely review and investigation of allegations of neglect and abuse and misappropriation of resident property by a nurse aide of a resident in a nursing facility or by another individual used by the facility. **Attachment 4.40-B** describes the State's process.
1919(g)(1)(C) of the Act	(d)	The State agency responsible for surveys and certification of nursing facilities or an agency delegated by the State survey agency conducts the process for the receipt and timely review and investigation of allegations of neglect and abuse and misappropriation of resident property. If not the State survey agency, what agency? _____
1919(g)(1)(C) of the Act	(e)	The State assures that a nurse aide, found to have neglected or abused a resident or misappropriated resident property in a facility, is notified of the finding. The name and finding is placed on the nurse aide registry.
1919(g)(1)(C) of the Act	(f)	The State notifies the appropriate licensure authority of any licensed individual found to have neglected or abused a resident or misappropriated resident property in a facility.

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1919(g)(2)(A)(i) of the Act	(g)	The State has procedures, as provided for at section 1919(g)(2)(A)(i), for the scheduling and conduct of standard surveys to assure that the State has taken all reasonable steps to avoid giving notice through the scheduling procedures and the conduct of the surveys themselves. **Attachment 4.40-C** describes the State's procedures.
1919(g)(2)(A)(ii) of the Act	(h)	The State assures that each facility shall have a standard survey which includes (for a case-mix stratified sample of residents) a survey of the quality of care furnished, as measured by indicators of medical, nursing and rehabilitative care, dietary and nutritional services, activities and social participation, and sanitation, infection control, and the physical environment, written plans of care and audit of resident's assessments, and a review of compliance with resident's rights not later than 15 months after the date of the previous standard survey.
1919(g)(2)(A)(iii)(I) of the Act	(i)	The State assures that the Statewide average interval between standard surveys of nursing facilities does not exceed 12 months.
1919(g)(2)(A)(iii)(II) of the Act	(j)	The State may conduct a special standard or special abbreviated standard survey within 2 months of any change of ownership, administration, management, or director of nursing of the nursing facility to determine whether the change has resulted in any decline in the quality of care furnished in the facility.
1919(g)(2)(B) of the Act	(k)	The State conducts extended surveys immediately or, if not practicable, not later that 2 weeks following a completed standard survey in a nursing facility which is found to have provided substandard care or in any other facility at the Secretary's or State's discretion.
1919(g)(2)(C) of the Act	(l)	The State conducts standard and extended surveys based upon a protocol, i.e., survey forms, methods, procedures and guidelines developed by HCFA, using individuals in the survey team who meet minimum qualifications established by the Secretary.

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1919(g)(2)(D) of the Act	(m)	The State provides for programs to measure and reduce inconsistency in the application of survey results among surveyors. **Attachment 4.40-D** describes the State's programs.
1919(g)(2)(E)(i) of the Act	(n)	The State uses a multidisciplinary team of professionals including a registered professional nurse.
1919(g)(2)(E)(ii) of the Act	(o)	The State assures that members of a survey team do not serve (or have not served within the previous two years) as a member of the staff or consultant to the nursing facility or has no personal or familial financial interest in the facility being surveyed.
1919(g)(2)(E)(iii) of the Act	(p)	The State assures that no individual shall serve as a member of any survey team unless the individual has successfully completed a training and test program in survey and certification techniques approved by the Secretary.
1919(g)(4) of the Act	(q)	The State maintains procedures and adequate staff to investigate complaints of violations of requirements by nursing facilities and onsite monitoring. **Attachment 4.40-E** describes the State's complaint procedures.
1919(g)(5)(A) of the Act	(r)	The State makes available to the public information respecting surveys and certification of nursing facilities including statements of deficiencies, plans of correction, copies of cost reports, statements of ownership and the information disclosed under section 1126 of the Act.
1919(g)(5)(B) of the Act	(s)	The State notifies the State long-term care ombudsman of the State's finding of non-compliance with any of the requirements of subsection (b), (c), and (d) or of any adverse actions taken against a nursing facility.
1919(g)(5)(C) of the Act	(t)	If the State finds substandard quality of care in a facility, the State notifies the attending physician of each resident with respect to which such finding is made and the nursing facility administrator licensing board.
1919(g)(5)(D) of the Act	(u)	The State provides the State Medicaid fraud and abuse agency access to all information concerning survey and certification actions.

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MARCH 1992

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation	4.41 Resident Assessment for Nursing Facilities
Sections 1919(b)(3) and 1919 (e)(5) of the Act	(a) The State specifies the instrument to be used by nursing facilities for conducting a comprehensive, accurate, standardized, reproducible assessment of each resident's functional capacity as required in §1919(b)(3)(A) of the Act.
1919(e)(5) (A) of the Act	(b) The State is using: X the resident assessment instrument designated by the Health Care Financing Administration (see Transmittal #241 of the State Operations Manual) [§1919(e)(5)(A)]; or
1919(e)(5) (B) of the Act	___ a resident assessment instrument that the Secretary has approved as being consistent with the minimum data set of core elements, common definitions, and utilization guidelines as specified by the Secretary (see Section 4470 of the State Medicaid Manual for the Secretary's approval criteria) [§1919(e)(5)(B)].

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: Wisconsin

Citation 1902(a)(68) of the Act, P.L. 109-171 (section 6032)

4.42 Employee Education About False Claims Recoveries.

(a) The Medicaid agency meets the requirements regarding establishment of policies and procedures for the education of employees of entities covered by section 1902(a)(68) of the Social Security Act (the Act) regarding false claims recoveries and methodologies for oversight of entities' compliance with these requirements.

(1) Definitions.

(A) An "entity" includes a governmental agency, organization, unit, corporation, partnership, or other business arrangement (including any Medicaid managed care organization, irrespective of the form of business structure or arrangement by which it exists), whether for-profit or not-for-profit, which receives or makes payments, under a State Plan approved under title XIX or under any waiver of such plan, totaling at least $5,000,000 annually.

If an entity furnishes items or services at more than a single location or under more than one contractual or other payment arrangement, the provisions of section 1902(a)(68) apply if the aggregate payments to that entity meet the $5,000,000 annual threshold. This applies whether the entity submits claims for payments using one or more provider identification or tax identification numbers.

A governmental component providing Medicaid health care items or services for which Medicaid payments are made would qualify as an "entity" (e.g., a state mental health facility or school district providing school-based health services). A government agency which merely administers the Medicaid program, in whole or part (e.g., managing the claims processing system or determining beneficiary eligibility), is not, for these purposes, considered to be an entity.

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: Wisconsin

4.42 Employee Education About False Claims Recoveries, continued.

(B) An "employee" includes any officer or employee of the entity.

(C) A "contractor" or "agent" includes any contractor, subcontractor, agent, or other person which or who, on behalf of the entity, furnishes, or otherwise authorizes the furnishing of, Medicaid health care items or services, performs billing or coding functions, or is involved in the monitoring of health care provided by the entity.

(2) The entity must establish and disseminate written policies which must also be adopted by its contractors or agents. Written policies may be on paper or in electronic form, but must be readily available to all employees, contractors, or agents. The entity need not create an employee handbook if none already exists.

(3) An entity shall establish written policies for all employees (including management), and of any contractor or agent of the entity, that include detailed information about the False Claims Act and the other provisions named in section 1902(a)(68)(A). The entity shall include in those written policies detailed information about the entity's policies and procedures for detecting and preventing waste, fraud, and abuse. The entity shall also include in any employee handbook a specific discussion of the laws described in the written policies, the rights of employees to be protected as whistleblowers and a specific discussion of the entity's policies and procedures for detecting and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.

(4) The requirements of this law should be incorporated into each State's provider enrollment agreements.

(5) The State will implement this State Plan amendment on January 1, 2007.

(b) ATTACHMENT 4.42-A describes, in accordance with section 1902(a) (68) of the Act, the methodology of compliance oversight and the frequency with which the State will re-assess compliance on an ongoing basis.

State: Wisconsin

4.44. Medicaid Prohibition on Payments to Institutions or Entities Located Outside of the United States.

Citation		
Section 1902 (a) (80) of the Social Security Act, P.L. 111-148 (Section 6505)	X	The State shall not provide any payments for items or services provided under the state plan or under a waiver to any financial institution or entity located outside of the United States.

State: Wisconsin

4.5 Medicaid Recovery Audit Contractor Program

Citation		
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act	___	The State has established a program under which it will contract with one or more recovery audit contractors (RACs) for the purpose of identifying underpayments and overpayments of Medicaid claims under the state plan and under any waiver of the state plan.
	X	Wisconsin State is respectfully requesting an exception to establishing a Medicaid RAC program for the following reasons: • Due to litigation, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services' (DHS) scope for collecting overpayments from providers has been limited. Wisconsin would be unable to provide remuneration satisfactory to a RAC (based on the cost of audit development and implementation, as well as participation in appeals) due to the scope limitation. • The RAC would be restricted to auditing Fee-For-Service providers (FFS) providers. WI is 68% managed care as compared to 32% FFS; therefore, recoveries for any future RAC vendor may be limited. • Wisconsin has robust and effective program integrity in place. Wisconsin has the following program integrity initiatives in place to combat fraud, waste and abuse in the state's Medicaid program, including: o Our Federal Unified Program Integrity Contractor (CoventBridge) o Our External Quality Review Organization (MetaStar) o The Office of the Inspector General Business Intelligence and Research Section, Clinical and Non-Clinical Program Integrity and Compliance Sections, each of which has staffing to complete a measurable amount of FFS audits and other program integrity efforts (i.e. screening "moderate" and "high" risk providers per the Affordable Care Act).

Wisconsin was previously granted an exception from November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2023, and now seeks an exception from November 1, 2023 through October 31, 2025. Wisconsin believes the objectives of the RAC program are effectively obtained through current program integrity efforts.

		○ A team dedicated to Managed Care Organizations within the Non-Clinical Program Integrity and Compliance Section that is working on implementing a Network Provider Audit Process. ○ A new claims pre-pay review program within the Clinical Program Integrity and Compliance Section.
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(I) of the Act	**N/A**	The State Medicaid agency has contracts of the type(s) listed in section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(I) of the Act. All contracts meet the requirements of the statute. RACs are consistent with the statute.
	Place a check mark to provide assurance of the following:	
	N/A	The State will make payments to the RAC(s) only from amounts recovered.
	N/A	The State will make payments to the RAC(s) on a contingency basis for collecting overpayments.
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(II)(aa) of the Act	The following payment methodology shall be used to determine State payments to Medicaid RACs for identification and recovery of overpayments (e.g., the percentage of the contingency fee):	
	N/A	The State attests that the contingency fee rate paid to the Medicaid RAC will not exceed the highest rate paid to Medicare RACs, as published in the Federal Register.
	N/A	The State attests that the contingency fee rate paid to the Medicaid RAC will exceed the highest rate paid to Medicare RACs, as published in the Federal Register. The State will only submit for FFP up to the amount equivalent to that published rate.

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May 22, 1980

State Wisconsin

SECTION 5 PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Citation
42 CFR 432.10(a)
AT-78-90
AT-79-23
AT-80-34

5.1 Standards of Personnel Administration

(a) The Medicaid agency has established and will maintain methods of personnel administration in conformity with standards prescribed by the U.S. Civil Service Commission in accordance with Section 208 of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 and the regulations on Administration of the Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration, 5 CFR Part 900, Subpart F. All requirements of 42 CFR 432.10 are met.

☐ The plan is locally administered and State-supervised. The requirements of 42 CFR 432.10 with respect to local agency administration are met.

(b) Affirmative Action Plan

The Medicaid agency has in effect an affirmative action plan for equal employment opportunity that includes specific action steps and timetables and meets all other requirements of 5 CFR Part 900, Subpart F.

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5.2 [Reserved]

Revision: HCFA-AT-80-33 (BPP)
May 22, 1980

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Citation
42 CFR Part 432,
Subpart B
AT-78-90

5.3 Training Programs; Subprofessional and Volunteer Programs

The Medicaid agency meets the requirements of 42 CFR Part 432, Subpart B, with respect to a training program for agency personnel and the training and use of subprofessional staff and volunteers.

Revision: HCFA-AT-80-38 (BPP)
May 22, 1980

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SECTION 6 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Citation
42 CFR 433.32
AT-79-29

6.1 Fiscal Policies and Accountability

The Medicaid agency and, where applicable, local agencies administering the plan, maintains an accounting system and supporting fiscal records adequate to assure that claims for Federal funds are in accord with applicable Federal requirements. The requirements of 42 CFR 433.32 are met.

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Citation
42 CFR 433.34
47 FR 17490

6.2 Cost Allocation

There is an approved cost allocation plan on file with the Department in accordance with the requirements contained in 45 CFR Part 95, Subpart E.

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Citation
42 CFR 433.33
AT-79-29
AT-80-34

6.3 State Financial Participation

(a) State funds are used in both assistance and administration.

☐ State funds are used to pay all of the non-Federal share of total expenditures under the plan.

☒ There is local participation. State funds are used to pay not less than 40 percent of the non-Federal share of the total expenditures under the plan. There is a method of apportioning Federal and State funds among the political subdivisions of the State on an equalization or other basis which assures that lack of adequate funds from local sources will not result in lowering the amount, duration, scope or quality of care and services or level of administration under the plan in any part of the State.

(b) State and Federal funds are apportioned among the political subdivisions of the State on a basis consistent with equitable treatment of individuals in similar circumstances throughout the State.

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AUGUST 1991

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

SECTION 7 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

Citation	7.1	Plan Amendments
42 CFR 430.12(c)		The plan will be amended whenever necessary to reflect new or revised Federal statutes or regulations or material change in State law, organization, policy or State agency operation.

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AUGUST 1991

State/Territory: WISCONSIN

Citation 7.2 Nondiscrimination

45 CFR Parts 80 and 84

In accordance with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et. seq.), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 70b), and the regulations at 45 CFR Parts 80 and 84, the Medicaid agency assures that no individual shall be subject to discrimination under this plan on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or handicap.

The Medicaid agency has methods of administration to assure that each program or activity for which it receives Federal financial assistance will be operated in accordance with title VI regulations. These methods for title VI are described in ATTACHMENT 7.2-A.

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State/Territory: Wisconsin

Citation	7.3	Maintenance of AFDC Efforts
1902(c) of the Act 1903(i)(9) of the Act	/X/	The State agency has in effect under its approved AFDC plan payment levels that are equal to or more than the AFDC payment levels in effect on May 1, 1988.

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AUGUST 1991

State WISCONSIN

Citation 7.4 State Governor's Review

42 CFR 430.12(b) The Medicaid agency will provide opportunity for the Office of the Governor to review State plan amendments, long-range program planning projections, and other periodic reports thereon, excluding periodic statistical, budget and fiscal reports. Any comments made will be transmitted to the Health Care Financing Administration with such documents.

☐ Not applicable. The Governor--

☐ Does not wish to review any plan material.

☐ Wishes to review only the plan materials specified in the enclosed document.

I hereby certify that I am authorized to submit this plan on behalf of

Department of Health and Family Services
(Designated Single State Agency)

Date: 9/19/96

Peggy Bartels
(Signature)

Director, Bureau of Health Care Financing
(Title)

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May 22, 1980

State Wisconsin

Citation
45 CFR 204.1

7.3 State Governor's Review

The Medicaid agency will provide opportunity for the Office of the Governor to review amendments, any new State plan and subsequent amendments, and long-range program planning projections or other periodic reports thereon. Any comments made will be transmitted to the Health Care Financing Administration with such documents.

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☐ Not applicable. The Governor—

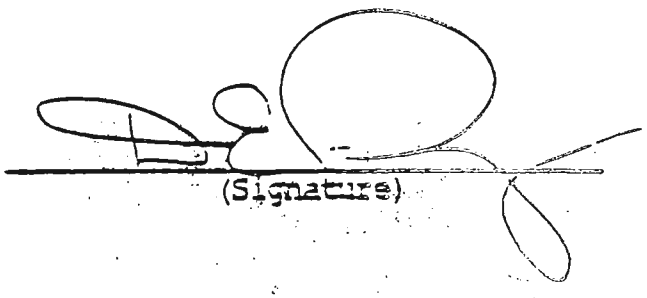
☐ Does not wish to review any plan material.

☐ Wishes to review only the plan material specified in the enclosed document.

I hereby certify that I am authorized to submit this plan on behalf of

Department of Health and Social Services
(Designated Single State Agency)

Date August 21, 1980



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COVID 19 DISASTER
SPAS - Will expire after
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after that time.

Section 7 – General Provisions
7.4. Medicaid Disaster Relief for the COVID-19 National Emergency

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a proclamation that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency by the authorities vested in him by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (Act). On March 13, 2020, pursuant to section 1135(b) of the Act, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services invoked his authority to waive or modify certain requirements of titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Act as a result of the consequences COVID-19 pandemic, to the extent necessary, as determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to ensure that sufficient health care items and services are available to meet the needs of individuals enrolled in the respective programs and to ensure that health care providers that furnish such items and services in good faith, but are unable to comply with one or more of such requirements as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may be reimbursed for such items and services and exempted from sanctions for such noncompliance, absent any determination of fraud or abuse. This authority took effect as of 6PM Eastern Standard Time on March 15, 2020, with a retroactive effective date of March 1, 2020. The emergency period will terminate, and waivers will no longer be available, upon termination of the public health emergency, including any extensions.

The State Medicaid agency (agency) seeks to implement the policies and procedures described below, which are different than the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the Medicaid state plan, during the period of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period described below:

Describe shorter period here.

NOTE: States may not elect a period longer than the Presidential or Secretarial emergency declaration (or any renewal thereof). States may not propose changes on this template that restrict or limit payment, services, or eligibility, or otherwise burden beneficiaries and providers.

Request for Waivers under Section 1135

____ The agency seeks the following under section 1135(b)(1)(C) and/or section 1135(b)(5) of the Act:

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c. ____ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in Wisconsin Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline.

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1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

2. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following populations of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.218:

   a. _____ All individuals who are described in section 1905(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX)

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3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

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1. __X__ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

Please describe the applicable eligibility groups/populations and any changes to reasonable limitations, performance standards or other factors.

Aged, Blind and Disabled Medically Needy under 1902(a)(10)(C) of the Act

2. _____ The agency designates itself as a qualified entity for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L.

Please describe any limitations related to the populations included or the number of allowable PE periods.

3. _____ The agency designates the following entities as qualified entities for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations or adds additional populations as described below in

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4. _____ The agency adopts a total of _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) continuous eligibility for children under age enter age _____ (not to exceed age 19) regardless of changes in circumstances in accordance with section 1902(e)(12) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.926.

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Section C – Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. _____ The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

Please describe whether the state suspends all cost sharing or suspends only specified deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost sharing charges for specified items and services or for specified eligibility groups consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(d) or for specified income levels consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(g).

2. _____ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

    a. _____ All beneficiaries

    b. _____ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations.

3. _____ The agency allows waiver of payment of the enrollment fee, premiums and similar charges for undue hardship.

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Section D – Benefits

Benefits:

1. _____ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

2. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

3. _____ The agency assures that newly added benefits or adjustments to benefits comply with all applicable statutory requirements, including the statewideness requirements found at 1902(a)(1), comparability requirements found at 1902(a)(10)(B), and free choice of provider requirements found at 1902(a)(23).

4. _____ Application to Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP). The state adheres to all ABP provisions in 42 CFR Part 440, Subpart C. This section only applies to states that have an approved ABP(s).

    a. ____ The agency assures that these newly added and/or adjusted benefits will be made available to individuals receiving services under ABPs.

    b. ____ Individuals receiving services under ABPs will not receive these newly added and/or adjusted benefits, or will only receive the following subset:

Please describe.

Telehealth:

5. _____ The agency utilizes telehealth in the following manner, which may be different than outlined in the state's approved state plan:

Please describe.

Drug Benefit:

6. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to the day supply or quantity limit for covered outpatient drugs. The agency should only make this modification if its current state plan pages have limits on the amount of medication dispensed.

Please describe the change in days or quantities that are allowed for the emergency period and for which drugs.

7. _____ Prior authorization for medications is expanded by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.

8. _____ The agency makes the following payment adjustment to the professional dispensing fee when additional costs are incurred by the providers for delivery. States will need to supply documentation to justify the additional fees.

Please describe the manner in which professional dispensing fees are adjusted.

9. _____ The agency makes exceptions to their published Preferred Drug List if drug shortages occur. This would include options for covering a brand name drug product that is a multi-source drug if a generic drug option is not available.

Section E – Payments

Optional benefits described in Section D:

1. _____ Newly added benefits described in Section D are paid using the following methodology:

    a. ____ Published fee schedules –

    Effective date (enter date of change): _____

    Location (list published location): _____

b. ____ Other:

Describe methodology here.

Increases to state plan payment methodologies:

2. _____ The agency increases payment rates for the following services:

Please list all that apply.

a. _____ Payment increases are targeted based on the following criteria:

Please describe criteria.

b. Payments are increased through:

i. ____ A supplemental payment or add-on within applicable upper payment limits:

Please describe.

ii. ____ An increase to rates as described below.

Rates are increased:

_____ Uniformly by the following percentage: _____

_____ Through a modification to published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

_____ Up to the Medicare payments for equivalent services.

_____ By the following factors:

Please describe.

Payment for services delivered via telehealth:

3. _____ For the duration of the emergency, the state authorizes payments for telehealth services that:

    a. _____ Are not otherwise paid under the Medicaid state plan;

    b. _____ Differ from payments for the same services when provided face to face;

    c. _____ Differ from current state plan provisions governing reimbursement for telehealth;

Describe telehealth payment variation.

    d. _____ Include payment for ancillary costs associated with the delivery of covered services via telehealth, (if applicable), as follows:

        i. _____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is incorporated into fee-for-service rates.

        ii. _____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is separately reimbursed as an administrative cost by the state when a Medicaid service is delivered.

Other:

4. _____ Other payment changes:

Please describe.

Section F – Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income

1. _____ The state elects to modify the basic personal needs allowance for institutionalized individuals. The basic personal needs allowance is equal to one of the following amounts:

    a. _____ The individual's total income

    b. _____ 300 percent of the SSI federal benefit rate

    c. _____ Other reasonable amount: _____

2. _____ The state elects a new variance to the basic personal needs allowance. (Note: Election of this option is not dependent on a state electing the option described the option in F.1. above.)

    The state protects amounts exceeding the basic personal needs allowance for individuals who have the following greater personal needs:

Please describe the group or groups of individuals with greater needs and the amount(s) protected for each group or groups.

Section G – Other Policies and Procedures Differing from Approved Medicaid State Plan /Additional Information

PRA Disclosure Statement

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0938-1148 (Expires 03/31/2021). The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 1 to 2 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. Your response is required to receive a waiver under Section 1135 of the Social Security Act. All responses are public and will be made available on the CMS web site. If you have comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: CMS, 7500 Security Boulevard, Attn: PRA Reports Clearance Officer, Mail Stop C4-26-05, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850. ***CMS Disclosure*** Please do not send applications, claims, payments, medical records or any documents containing sensitive information to the PRA Reports Clearance Office. Please note that any correspondence not pertaining to the information collection burden approved under the associated OMB control number listed on this form will not be reviewed, forwarded, or retained. If you have questions or concerns regarding where to submit your documents, please contact the Centers for Medicaid & CHIP Services at 410-786-3870.

Section 7 – General Provisions
7.4. Medicaid Disaster Relief for the COVID-19 National Emergency

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a proclamation that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency by the authorities vested in him by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (Act). On March 13, 2020, pursuant to section 1135(b) of the Act, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services invoked his authority to waive or modify certain requirements of titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Act as a result of the consequences COVID-19 pandemic, to the extent necessary, as determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to ensure that sufficient health care items and services are available to meet the needs of individuals enrolled in the respective programs and to ensure that health care providers that furnish such items and services in good faith, but are unable to comply with one or more of such requirements as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may be reimbursed for such items and services and exempted from sanctions for such noncompliance, absent any determination of fraud or abuse. This authority took effect as of 6PM Eastern Standard Time on March 15, 2020, with a retroactive effective date of March 1, 2020. The emergency period will terminate, and waivers will no longer be available, upon termination of the public health emergency, including any extensions.

The State Medicaid agency (agency) seeks to implement the policies and procedures described below, which are different than the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the Medicaid state plan, during the period of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period described below:

Describe shorter period here.

NOTE: States may not elect a period longer than the Presidential or Secretarial emergency declaration (or any renewal thereof). States may not propose changes on this template that restrict or limit payment, services, or eligibility, or otherwise burden beneficiaries and providers.

Request for Waivers under Section 1135

____x The agency seeks the following under section 1135(b)(1)(C) and/or section 1135(b)(5) of the Act:

a. __x___ SPA submission requirements – the agency requests modification of the requirement to submit the SPA by March 31, 2020, to obtain a SPA effective date during the first calendar quarter of 2020, pursuant to 42 CFR 430.20.

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c. _____ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in [insert name of state] Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline.

Section A – Eligibility

1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

2. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following populations of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.218:

   a. _____ All individuals who are described in section 1905(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX)

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   b. _____ Individuals described in the following categorical populations in section 1905(a) of the Act:

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3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

Less restrictive resource methodologies:

4. _____ The agency considers individuals who are evacuated from the state, who leave the state for medical reasons related to the disaster or public health emergency, or who are otherwise absent from the state due to the disaster or public health emergency and who intend to return to the state, to continue to be residents of the state under 42 CFR 435.403(j)(3).

5. _____ The agency provides Medicaid coverage to the following individuals living in the state, who are non-residents:

6. __X__ The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period for non-citizens declaring to be in a satisfactory immigration status, if the non-citizen is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistences or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency is unable to complete the verification process within the 90-day reasonable opportunity period due to the disaster or public health emergency.

Section B – Enrollment

1. _____ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

Please describe the applicable eligibility groups/populations and any changes to reasonable limitations, performance standards or other factors.

2. _____ The agency designates itself as a qualified entity for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L.

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Benefits:

1. _____ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

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Allow licensed practitioners practicing within their scope of practice, such as, but not limited to, nurse practitioners and physicians assistants, to order home health services

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This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs 20-0004 approved on 5/7/20 and 20-0007 and 20-0010 approved 6/12/20 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

c. _____ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in [insert name of state] Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline.

Section A – Eligibility

1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

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      -or-

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      Income standard: _____

3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

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Less restrictive resource methodologies:

4. _____ The agency considers individuals who are evacuated from the state, who leave the state for medical reasons related to the disaster or public health emergency, or who are otherwise absent from the state due to the disaster or public health emergency and who intend to return to the state, to continue to be residents of the state under 42 CFR 435.403(j)(3).

5. _____ The agency provides Medicaid coverage to the following individuals living in the state, who are non-residents:

6. _____ The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period for non-citizens declaring to be in a satisfactory immigration status, if the non-citizen is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistences or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency is unable to complete the verification process within the 90-day reasonable opportunity period due to the disaster or public health emergency.

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1. _____ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

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4. _____ The agency adopts a total of _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) continuous eligibility for children under age enter age _____ (not to exceed age 19) regardless of changes in circumstances in accordance with section 1902(e)(12) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.926.

5. _____ The agency conducts redeterminations of eligibility for individuals excepted from MAGI-based financial methodologies under 42 CFR 435.603(j) once every _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) in accordance with 42 CFR 435.916(b).

6. _____ The agency uses the following simplified application(s) to support enrollment in affected areas or for affected individuals (a copy of the simplified application(s) has been submitted to CMS).

    a. _____ The agency uses a simplified paper application.

    b. _____ The agency uses a simplified online application.

    c. _____ The simplified paper or online application is made available for use in call-centers or other telephone applications in affected areas.

Section C – Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. _____ The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

Please describe whether the state suspends all cost sharing or suspends only specified deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost sharing charges for specified items and services or for specified eligibility groups consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(d) or for specified income levels consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(g).

2. _____ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

    a. _____ All beneficiaries

    b. _____ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs 20-0004 approved on 5/7/20 and 20-0007 and 20-0010 approved on 6/12/20 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations.

3. _____ The agency allows waiver of payment of the enrollment fee, premiums and similar charges for undue hardship.

Please specify the standard(s) and/or criteria that the state will use to determine undue hardship.

Section D – Benefits

Benefits:

1. _____ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

2. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

3. _____ The agency assures that newly added benefits or adjustments to benefits comply with all applicable statutory requirements, including the statewideness requirements found at 1902(a)(1), comparability requirements found at 1902(a)(10)(B), and free choice of provider requirements found at 1902(a)(23).

4. _____ Application to Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP). The state adheres to all ABP provisions in 42 CFR Part 440, Subpart C. This section only applies to states that have an approved ABP(s).

    a. ____ The agency assures that these newly added and/or adjusted benefits will be made available to individuals receiving services under ABPs.

    b. ____ Individuals receiving services under ABPs will not receive these newly added and/or adjusted benefits, or will only receive the following subset:

Please describe.

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs 20-0004 approved on 5/7/20 and 20-0007 and 20-0010 approved on 6/12/20 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

Telehealth:

5. _____ The agency utilizes telehealth in the following manner, which may be different than outlined in the state's approved state plan:

Please describe.

Drug Benefit:

6. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to the day supply or quantity limit for covered outpatient drugs. The agency should only make this modification if its current state plan pages have limits on the amount of medication dispensed.

Please describe the change in days or quantities that are allowed for the emergency period and for which drugs.

7. _____ Prior authorization for medications is expanded by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.

8. _____ The agency makes the following payment adjustment to the professional dispensing fee when additional costs are incurred by the providers for delivery. States will need to supply documentation to justify the additional fees.

Please describe the manner in which professional dispensing fees are adjusted.

9. __X__ The agency makes exceptions to their published Preferred Drug List if drug shortages occur. This would include options for covering a brand name drug product that is a multi-source drug if a generic drug option is not available.

Section E – Payments

Optional benefits described in Section D:

1. _____ Newly added benefits described in Section D are paid using the following methodology:

   a. ____ Published fee schedules –

      Effective date (enter date of change): _____

      Location (list published location): _____

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs 20-0004 approved on 5/7/20 and 20-0007 and 20-0010 approved on 6/12/20 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

b. ____ Other:

Describe methodology here.

Increases to state plan payment methodologies:

2. _____ The agency increases payment rates for the following services:

Please list all that apply.

a. _____ Payment increases are targeted based on the following criteria:

Please describe criteria.

b. Payments are increased through:

i. ____ A supplemental payment or add-on within applicable upper payment limits:

Please describe.

ii. ____ An increase to rates as described below.

Rates are increased:

_____ Uniformly by the following percentage: _____

_____ Through a modification to published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

_____ Up to the Medicare payments for equivalent services.

_____ By the following factors:

Please describe.

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs 20-0004 approved on 5/7/20 and 20-0007 and 20-0010 approved on 6/12/20 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

Payment for services delivered via telehealth:

3. _____ For the duration of the emergency, the state authorizes payments for telehealth services that:

    a. _____ Are not otherwise paid under the Medicaid state plan;

    b. _____ Differ from payments for the same services when provided face to face;

    c. _____ Differ from current state plan provisions governing reimbursement for telehealth;

Describe telehealth payment variation.

    d. _____ Include payment for ancillary costs associated with the delivery of covered services via telehealth, (if applicable), as follows:

        i. _____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is incorporated into fee-for-service rates.

        ii. _____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is separately reimbursed as an administrative cost by the state when a Medicaid service is delivered.

Other:

4. _____ Other payment changes:

Please describe.

Section F – Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income

1. _____ The state elects to modify the basic personal needs allowance for institutionalized individuals. The basic personal needs allowance is equal to one of the following amounts:

    a. _____ The individual's total income

    b. _____ 300 percent of the SSI federal benefit rate

    c. _____ Other reasonable amount: _____

2. _____ The state elects a new variance to the basic personal needs allowance. (Note: Election of this option is not dependent on a state electing the option described the option in F.1. above.)

    The state protects amounts exceeding the basic personal needs allowance for individuals who have the following greater personal needs:

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs 20-0004 approved on 5/7/20 and 20-0007 and 20-0010 approved on 6/12/20 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

Please describe the group or groups of individuals with greater needs and the amount(s) protected for each group or groups.

Section G – Other Policies and Procedures Differing from Approved Medicaid State Plan /Additional Information

PRA Disclosure Statement

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0938-1148 (Expires 03/31/2021). The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 1 to 2 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. Your response is required to receive a waiver under Section 1135 of the Social Security Act. All responses are public and will be made available on the CMS web site. If you have comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: CMS, 7500 Security Boulevard, Attn: PRA Reports Clearance Officer, Mail Stop C4-26-05, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850. ***CMS Disclosure*** Please do not send applications, claims, payments, medical records or any documents containing sensitive information to the PRA Reports Clearance Office. Please note that any correspondence not pertaining to the information collection burden approved under the associated OMB control number listed on this form will not be reviewed, forwarded, or retained. If you have questions or concerns regarding where to submit your documents, please contact the Centers for Medicaid & CHIP Services at 410-786-3870.

Section 7 – General Provisions
7.4. Medicaid Disaster Relief for the COVID-19 National Emergency

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a proclamation that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency by the authorities vested in him by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (Act). On March 13, 2020, pursuant to section 1135(b) of the Act, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services invoked his authority to waive or modify certain requirements of titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Act as a result of the consequences COVID-19 pandemic, to the extent necessary, as determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to ensure that sufficient health care items and services are available to meet the needs of individuals enrolled in the respective programs and to ensure that health care providers that furnish such items and services in good faith, but are unable to comply with one or more of such requirements as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may be reimbursed for such items and services and exempted from sanctions for such noncompliance, absent any determination of fraud or abuse. This authority took effect as of 6PM Eastern Standard Time on March 15, 2020, with a retroactive effective date of March 1, 2020. The emergency period will terminate, and waivers will no longer be available, upon termination of the public health emergency, including any extensions.

The State Medicaid agency (agency) seeks to implement the policies and procedures described below, which are different than the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the Medicaid state plan, during the period of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period described below:

Describe shorter period here.

NOTE: States may not elect a period longer than the Presidential or Secretarial emergency declaration (or any renewal thereof). States may not propose changes on this template that restrict or limit payment, services, or eligibility, or otherwise burden beneficiaries and providers.

Request for Waivers under Section 1135

x The agency seeks the following under section 1135(b)(1)(C) and/or section 1135(b)(5) of the Act:

a. _____ SPA submission requirements – the agency requests modification of the requirement to submit the SPA by March 31, 2020, to obtain a SPA effective date during the first calendar quarter of 2020, pursuant to 42 CFR 430.20.

b. x Public notice requirements – the agency requests waiver of public notice requirements that would otherwise be applicable to this SPA submission. These requirements may include those specified in 42 CFR 440.386 (Alternative Benefit Plans), 42 CFR 447.57(c) (premiums and cost sharing), and 42 CFR 447.205 (public notice of changes in statewide methods and standards for setting payment rates).

c. _____ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in [insert name of state] Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline.

Section A – Eligibility

1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

2. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following populations of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.218:

   a. _____ All individuals who are described in section 1905(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX)

      Income standard: _____

      -or-

   b. _____ Individuals described in the following categorical populations in section 1905(a) of the Act:

      Income standard: _____

3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

Less restrictive resource methodologies:

4. _____ The agency considers individuals who are evacuated from the state, who leave the state for medical reasons related to the disaster or public health emergency, or who are otherwise absent from the state due to the disaster or public health emergency and who intend to return to the state, to continue to be residents of the state under 42 CFR 435.403(j)(3).

5. _____ The agency provides Medicaid coverage to the following individuals living in the state, who are non-residents:

6. _____ The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period for non-citizens declaring to be in a satisfactory immigration status, if the non-citizen is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistences or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency is unable to complete the verification process within the 90-day reasonable opportunity period due to the disaster or public health emergency.

Section B – Enrollment

1. _____ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

Please describe the applicable eligibility groups/populations and any changes to reasonable limitations, performance standards or other factors.

2. _____ The agency designates itself as a qualified entity for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L.

Please describe any limitations related to the populations included or the number of allowable PE periods.

3. _____ The agency designates the following entities as qualified entities for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations or adds additional populations as described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L. Indicate if any designated entities are permitted to make presumptive eligibility determinations only for specified populations.

Please describe the designated entities or additional populations and any limitations related to the specified populations or number of allowable PE periods.

4. _____ The agency adopts a total of_____months (not to exceed 12 months) continuous eligibility for children under age enter age_____(not to exceed age 19) regardless of changes in circumstances in accordance with section 1902(e)(12) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.926.

5. _____ The agency conducts redeterminations of eligibility for individuals excepted from MAGI-based financial methodologies under 42 CFR 435.603(j) once every_____months (not to exceed 12 months) in accordance with 42 CFR 435.916(b).

6. _____ The agency uses the following simplified application(s) to support enrollment in affected areas or for affected individuals (a copy of the simplified application(s) has been submitted to CMS).

    a. _____ The agency uses a simplified paper application.

    b. _____ The agency uses a simplified online application.

    c. _____ The simplified paper or online application is made available for use in call-centers or other telephone applications in affected areas.

Section C – Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. _____ The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

Please describe whether the state suspends all cost sharing or suspends only specified deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost sharing charges for specified items and services or for specified eligibility groups consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(d) or for specified income levels consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(g).

2. __X__ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

    a. _____ All beneficiaries

    b. __X__ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations. Suspend premiums for the Work Incentives group under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act

3. _____ The agency allows waiver of payment of the enrollment fee, premiums and similar charges for undue hardship.

Please specify the standard(s) and/or criteria that the state will use to determine undue hardship.

Section D – Benefits

Benefits:

1. _____ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

2. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

3. _____ The agency assures that newly added benefits or adjustments to benefits comply with all applicable statutory requirements, including the statewideness requirements found at 1902(a)(1), comparability requirements found at 1902(a)(10)(B), and free choice of provider requirements found at 1902(a)(23).

4. _____ Application to Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP). The state adheres to all ABP provisions in 42 CFR Part 440, Subpart C. This section only applies to states that have an approved ABP(s).

    a. ____ The agency assures that these newly added and/or adjusted benefits will be made available to individuals receiving services under ABPs.

    b. ____ Individuals receiving services under ABPs will not receive these newly added and/or adjusted benefits, or will only receive the following subset:

Please describe.

Telehealth:

5. _____ The agency utilizes telehealth in the following manner, which may be different than outlined in the state's approved state plan:

Please describe.

Drug Benefit:

6. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to the day supply or quantity limit for covered outpatient drugs. The agency should only make this modification if its current state plan pages have limits on the amount of medication dispensed.

Please describe the change in days or quantities that are allowed for the emergency period and for which drugs.

7. __X__ Prior authorization for medications is expanded by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.

8. _____ The agency makes the following payment adjustment to the professional dispensing fee when additional costs are incurred by the providers for delivery. States will need to supply documentation to justify the additional fees.

Please describe the manner in which professional dispensing fees are adjusted.

9. _____ The agency makes exceptions to their published Preferred Drug List if drug shortages occur. This would include options for covering a brand name drug product that is a multi-source drug if a generic drug option is not available.

Section E – Payments

Optional benefits described in Section D:

1. _____ Newly added benefits described in Section D are paid using the following methodology:

   a. ____ Published fee schedules –

      Effective date (enter date of change): _____

      Location (list published location): _____

b. ____ Other:

Describe methodology here.

Increases to state plan payment methodologies:

2. _____ The agency increases payment rates for the following services:

Please list all that apply.

a. _____ Payment increases are targeted based on the following criteria:

Please describe criteria.

b. Payments are increased through:

i. ____ A supplemental payment or add-on within applicable upper payment limits:

Please describe.

ii. ____ An increase to rates as described below.

Rates are increased:

_____ Uniformly by the following percentage: _____

_____ Through a modification to published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

_____ Up to the Medicare payments for equivalent services.

_____ By the following factors:

Please describe.

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs 20-0004 approved on 5/7/20 and 20-0007 and 20-0009 approved on 6/12/20 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

Payment for services delivered via telehealth:

3. _____ For the duration of the emergency, the state authorizes payments for telehealth services that:

    a. ____ Are not otherwise paid under the Medicaid state plan;

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Describe telehealth payment variation.

    d. ____ Include payment for ancillary costs associated with the delivery of covered services via telehealth, (if applicable), as follows:

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Other:

4. _____ Other payment changes:

Please describe.

Section F – Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income

1. ____ The state elects to modify the basic personal needs allowance for institutionalized individuals. The basic personal needs allowance is equal to one of the following amounts:

    a. ____ The individual's total income

    b. ____ 300 percent of the SSI federal benefit rate

    c. ____ Other reasonable amount: _____

2. ____ The state elects a new variance to the basic personal needs allowance. (Note: Election of this option is not dependent on a state electing the option described the option in F.1. above.)

    The state protects amounts exceeding the basic personal needs allowance for individuals who have the following greater personal needs:

Please describe the group or groups of individuals with greater needs and the amount(s) protected for each group or groups.

Section G – Other Policies and Procedures Differing from Approved Medicaid State Plan /Additional Information

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Section 7 – General Provisions
7.4. Medicaid Disaster Relief for the COVID-19 National Emergency

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a proclamation that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency by the authorities vested in him by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (Act). On March 13, 2020, pursuant to section 1135(b) of the Act, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services invoked his authority to waive or modify certain requirements of titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Act as a result of the consequences COVID-19 pandemic, to the extent necessary, as determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to ensure that sufficient health care items and services are available to meet the needs of individuals enrolled in the respective programs and to ensure that health care providers that furnish such items and services in good faith, but are unable to comply with one or more of such requirements as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may be reimbursed for such items and services and exempted from sanctions for such noncompliance, absent any determination of fraud or abuse. This authority took effect as of 6PM Eastern Standard Time on March 15, 2020, with a retroactive effective date of March 1, 2020. The emergency period will terminate, and waivers will no longer be available, upon termination of the public health emergency, including any extensions.

The State Medicaid agency (agency) seeks to implement the policies and procedures described below, which are different than the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the Medicaid state plan, during the period of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period described below:

Describe shorter period here.
Wisconsin seeks to implement this amendment from December 11, 2020 through January 31, 2021

NOTE: States may not elect a period longer than the Presidential or Secretarial emergency declaration (or any renewal thereof). States may not propose changes on this template that restrict or limit payment, services, or eligibility, or otherwise burden beneficiaries and providers.

Request for Waivers under Section 1135

__X__ The agency seeks the following under section 1135(b)(1)(C) and/or section 1135(b)(5) of the Act:

a. __X__ SPA submission requirements – the agency requests modification of the requirement to submit the SPA by March 31, 2020, to obtain a SPA effective date during the first calendar quarter of 2020, pursuant to 42 CFR 430.20.

b. __X__ Public notice requirements – the agency requests waiver of public notice requirements that would otherwise be applicable to this SPA submission. These requirements may include those specified in 42 CFR 440.386 (Alternative Benefit Plans), 42 CFR 447.57(c) (premiums and cost sharing), and 42 CFR 447.205 (public notice of changes in statewide methods and standards for setting payment rates).

c. _____ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in [insert name of state] Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline.

Section A – Eligibility

1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

2. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following populations of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.218:

   a. _____ All individuals who are described in section 1905(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX)

      Income standard: _____

      -or-

   b. _____ Individuals described in the following categorical populations in section 1905(a) of the Act:

      Income standard: _____

3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

Less restrictive resource methodologies:

4. _____ The agency considers individuals who are evacuated from the state, who leave the state for medical reasons related to the disaster or public health emergency, or who are otherwise absent from the state due to the disaster or public health emergency and who intend to return to the state, to continue to be residents of the state under 42 CFR 435.403(j)(3).

5. _____ The agency provides Medicaid coverage to the following individuals living in the state, who are non-residents:

6. _____ The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period for non-citizens declaring to be in a satisfactory immigration status, if the non-citizen is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistences or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency is unable to complete the verification process within the 90-day reasonable opportunity period due to the disaster or public health emergency.

Section B – Enrollment

1. _____ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

Please describe the applicable eligibility groups/populations and any changes to reasonable limitations, performance standards or other factors.

2. _____ The agency designates itself as a qualified entity for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L.

Please describe any limitations related to the populations included or the number of allowable PE periods.

3. _____ The agency designates the following entities as qualified entities for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations or adds additional populations as described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L. Indicate if any designated entities are permitted to make presumptive eligibility determinations only for specified populations.

Please describe the designated entities or additional populations and any limitations related to the specified populations or number of allowable PE periods.

4. _____ The agency adopts a total of _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) continuous eligibility for children under age enter age _____ (not to exceed age 19) regardless of changes in circumstances in accordance with section 1902(e)(12) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.926.

5. _____ The agency conducts redeterminations of eligibility for individuals excepted from MAGI-based financial methodologies under 42 CFR 435.603(j) once every _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) in accordance with 42 CFR 435.916(b).

6. _____ The agency uses the following simplified application(s) to support enrollment in affected areas or for affected individuals (a copy of the simplified application(s) has been submitted to CMS).

    a. _____ The agency uses a simplified paper application.

    b. _____ The agency uses a simplified online application.

    c. _____ The simplified paper or online application is made available for use in call-centers or other telephone applications in affected areas.

Section C – Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. _____ The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

Please describe whether the state suspends all cost sharing or suspends only specified deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost sharing charges for specified items and services or for specified eligibility groups consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(d) or for specified income levels consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(g).

2. _____ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

    a. _____ All beneficiaries

    b. _____ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations.

3. _____ The agency allows waiver of payment of the enrollment fee, premiums and similar charges for undue hardship.

Please specify the standard(s) and/or criteria that the state will use to determine undue hardship.

Section D – Benefits

Benefits:

1. _____ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

2. __X__ The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

OLP Benefit (42 CFR 440.60): Services of licensed pharmacists, pharmacy interns and pharmacy technicians acting within the scope of their practice under state law to administer COVID-19 vaccines. Pharmacy interns or pharmacy technicians are working under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist. Pharmacies are qualified providers of COVID-19 vaccinations per the HHS COVID-19 PREP Act Declaration and authorizations.

3. __X__ The agency assures that newly added benefits or adjustments to benefits comply with all applicable statutory requirements, including the statewideness requirements found at 1902(a)(1), comparability requirements found at 1902(a)(10)(B), and free choice of provider requirements found at 1902(a)(23).

4. __X__ Application to Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP). The state adheres to all ABP provisions in 42 CFR Part 440, Subpart C. This section only applies to states that have an approved ABP(s).

    a. __X__ The agency assures that these newly added and/or adjusted benefits will be made available to individuals receiving services under ABPs.

    b. ____ Individuals receiving services under ABPs will not receive these newly added and/or adjusted benefits, or will only receive the following subset:

Please describe.

Telehealth:

5. _____ The agency utilizes telehealth in the following manner, which may be different than outlined in the state's approved state plan:

Please describe.

Drug Benefit:

6. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to the day supply or quantity limit for covered outpatient drugs. The agency should only make this modification if its current state plan pages have limits on the amount of medication dispensed.

Please describe the change in days or quantities that are allowed for the emergency period and for which drugs.

7. _____ Prior authorization for medications is expanded by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.

8. _____ The agency makes the following payment adjustment to the professional dispensing fee when additional costs are incurred by the providers for delivery. States will need to supply documentation to justify the additional fees.

Please describe the manner in which professional dispensing fees are adjusted.

9. _____ The agency makes exceptions to their published Preferred Drug List if drug shortages occur. This would include options for covering a brand name drug product that is a multi-source drug if a generic drug option is not available.

Section E – Payments

Optional benefits described in Section D:

1. _____ Newly added benefits described in Section D are paid using the following methodology:

    a. ____ Published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

b. ____ Other:

Describe methodology here.

Increases to state plan payment methodologies:

2. __X__ The agency increases payment rates for the following services:

Please list all that apply. Reimbursement rates for administration of federal approved COVID-19 vaccines align with geographically adjusted Medicare reimbursement rates for administration of COVID-19 vaccines.

a. _____ Payment increases are targeted based on the following criteria:

Please describe criteria.

b. Payments are increased through:

i. ____ A supplemental payment or add-on within applicable upper payment limits:

Please describe.

ii. ____ An increase to rates as described below.

Rates are increased:

_____ Uniformly by the following percentage: _____

_____ Through a modification to published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

_____ Up to the Medicare payments for equivalent services.

_____ By the following factors:

Please describe.

Payment for services delivered via telehealth:

3. _____ For the duration of the emergency, the state authorizes payments for telehealth services that:

    a. _____ Are not otherwise paid under the Medicaid state plan;

    b. _____ Differ from payments for the same services when provided face to face;

    c. _____ Differ from current state plan provisions governing reimbursement for telehealth;

Describe telehealth payment variation.

    d. _____ Include payment for ancillary costs associated with the delivery of covered services via telehealth, (if applicable), as follows:

        i. _____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is incorporated into fee-for-service rates.

        ii. _____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is separately reimbursed as an administrative cost by the state when a Medicaid service is delivered.

Other:

4. _____ Other payment changes:

Please describe.

Section F – Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income

1. _____ The state elects to modify the basic personal needs allowance for institutionalized individuals. The basic personal needs allowance is equal to one of the following amounts:

    a. _____ The individual's total income

    b. _____ 300 percent of the SSI federal benefit rate

c. ____ Other reasonable amount: _____

2. ____ The state elects a new variance to the basic personal needs allowance. (Note: Election of this option is not dependent on a state electing the option described the option in F.1. above.)

The state protects amounts exceeding the basic personal needs allowance for individuals who have the following greater personal needs:

Please describe the group or groups of individuals with greater needs and the amount(s) protected for each group or groups.

Section G – Other Policies and Procedures Differing from Approved Medicaid State Plan /Additional Information

PRA Disclosure Statement

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Section 7 – General Provisions
7.4. Medicaid Disaster Relief for the COVID-19 National Emergency

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a proclamation that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency by the authorities vested in him by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (Act). On March 13, 2020, pursuant to section 1135(b) of the Act, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services invoked his authority to waive or modify certain requirements of titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Act as a result of the consequences COVID-19 pandemic, to the extent necessary, as determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to ensure that sufficient health care items and services are available to meet the needs of individuals enrolled in the respective programs and to ensure that health care providers that furnish such items and services in good faith, but are unable to comply with one or more of such requirements as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may be reimbursed for such items and services and exempted from sanctions for such noncompliance, absent any determination of fraud or abuse. This authority took effect as of 6PM Eastern Standard Time on March 15, 2020, with a retroactive effective date of March 1, 2020. The emergency period will terminate, and waivers will no longer be available, upon termination of the public health emergency, including any extensions.

The State Medicaid agency (agency) seeks to implement the policies and procedures described below, which are different than the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the Medicaid state plan, during the period of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period described below:

Describe shorter period here.

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Request for Waivers under Section 1135

__X__ The agency seeks the following under section 1135(b)(1)(C) and/or section 1135(b)(5) of the Act:

a. __X__ SPA submission requirements – the agency requests modification of the requirement to submit the SPA by March 31, 2020, to obtain a SPA effective date during the first calendar quarter of 2020, pursuant to 42 CFR 430.20.

b. __X__ Public notice requirements – the agency requests waiver of public notice requirements that would otherwise be applicable to this SPA submission. These requirements may include those specified in 42 CFR 440.386 (Alternative Benefit Plans), 42 CFR 447.57(c) (premiums and cost sharing), and 42 CFR 447.205 (public notice of changes in statewide methods and standards for setting payment rates).

c. _____ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in [insert name of state] Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline.

Section A – Eligibility

1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

2. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following populations of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.218:

   a. _____ All individuals who are described in section 1905(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX)

      Income standard: _____

      -or-

   b. _____ Individuals described in the following categorical populations in section 1905(a) of the Act:

      Income standard: _____

3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

Less restrictive resource methodologies:

4. _____ The agency considers individuals who are evacuated from the state, who leave the state for medical reasons related to the disaster or public health emergency, or who are otherwise absent from the state due to the disaster or public health emergency and who intend to return to the state, to continue to be residents of the state under 42 CFR 435.403(j)(3).

5. _____ The agency provides Medicaid coverage to the following individuals living in the state, who are non-residents:

6. _____ The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period for non-citizens declaring to be in a satisfactory immigration status, if the non-citizen is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistences or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency is unable to complete the verification process within the 90-day reasonable opportunity period due to the disaster or public health emergency.

Section B – Enrollment

1. _____ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

Please describe the applicable eligibility groups/populations and any changes to reasonable limitations, performance standards or other factors.

2. _____ The agency designates itself as a qualified entity for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L.

Please describe any limitations related to the populations included or the number of allowable PE periods.

3. _____ The agency designates the following entities as qualified entities for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations or adds additional populations as described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L. Indicate if any designated entities are permitted to make presumptive eligibility determinations only for specified populations.

Please describe the designated entities or additional populations and any limitations related to the specified populations or number of allowable PE periods.

4. _____ The agency adopts a total of _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) continuous eligibility for children under age enter age _____ (not to exceed age 19) regardless of changes in circumstances in accordance with section 1902(e)(12) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.926.

5. _____ The agency conducts redeterminations of eligibility for individuals excepted from MAGI-based financial methodologies under 42 CFR 435.603(j) once every _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) in accordance with 42 CFR 435.916(b).

6. _____ The agency uses the following simplified application(s) to support enrollment in affected areas or for affected individuals (a copy of the simplified application(s) has been submitted to CMS).

    a. _____ The agency uses a simplified paper application.

    b. _____ The agency uses a simplified online application.

    c. _____ The simplified paper or online application is made available for use in call-centers or other telephone applications in affected areas.

Section C – Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. _____ The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

Please describe whether the state suspends all cost sharing or suspends only specified deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost sharing charges for specified items and services or for specified eligibility groups consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(d) or for specified income levels consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(g).

2. _____ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

    a. _____ All beneficiaries

    b. _____ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations.

3. _____ The agency allows waiver of payment of the enrollment fee, premiums and similar charges for undue hardship.

Please specify the standard(s) and/or criteria that the state will use to determine undue hardship.

Section D – Benefits

Benefits:

1. _____ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

2. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

3. _____ The agency assures that newly added benefits or adjustments to benefits comply with all applicable statutory requirements, including the statewideness requirements found at 1902(a)(1), comparability requirements found at 1902(a)(10)(B), and free choice of provider requirements found at 1902(a)(23).

4. _____ Application to Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP). The state adheres to all ABP provisions in 42 CFR Part 440, Subpart C. This section only applies to states that have an approved ABP(s).

    a. ____ The agency assures that these newly added and/or adjusted benefits will be made available to individuals receiving services under ABPs.

    b. ____ Individuals receiving services under ABPs will not receive these newly added and/or adjusted benefits, or will only receive the following subset:

Please describe.

Telehealth:

5. _____ The agency utilizes telehealth in the following manner, which may be different than outlined in the state's approved state plan:

Please describe.

Drug Benefit:

6. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to the day supply or quantity limit for covered outpatient drugs. The agency should only make this modification if its current state plan pages have limits on the amount of medication dispensed.

Please describe the change in days or quantities that are allowed for the emergency period and for which drugs.

7. _____ Prior authorization for medications is expanded by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.

8. _____ The agency makes the following payment adjustment to the professional dispensing fee when additional costs are incurred by the providers for delivery. States will need to supply documentation to justify the additional fees.

Please describe the manner in which professional dispensing fees are adjusted.

9. _____ The agency makes exceptions to their published Preferred Drug List if drug shortages occur. This would include options for covering a brand name drug product that is a multi-source drug if a generic drug option is not available.

Section E – Payments

Optional benefits described in Section D:

1. _____ Newly added benefits described in Section D are paid using the following methodology:

    a. ____ Published fee schedules –

    Effective date (enter date of change): _____

    Location (list published location): _____

b. ____ Other:

Describe methodology here.

Increases to state plan payment methodologies:

2. __X__ The agency increases payment rates for the following services:

Please list all that apply.

a. _____ Payment increases are targeted based on the following criteria:

Please describe criteria.

b. Payments are increased through:

i. __X__ A supplemental payment or add-on within applicable upper payment limits:

Please describe. Increase the max supplemental disproportionate hospital share payment to each separately licensed, qualifying hospital for the state fiscal year to $9,381,600. This payment cap increase does not increase the total supplement disproportionate hospital share payment funding pool. It only increases the provider payment cap.

ii. ____ An increase to rates as described below.

Rates are increased:

_____ Uniformly by the following percentage: _____

_____ Through a modification to published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

_____ Up to the Medicare payments for equivalent services.

_____ By the following factors:

Please describe.

Payment for services delivered via telehealth:

3. _____ For the duration of the emergency, the state authorizes payments for telehealth services that:

    a. _____ Are not otherwise paid under the Medicaid state plan;

    b. _____ Differ from payments for the same services when provided face to face;

    c. _____ Differ from current state plan provisions governing reimbursement for telehealth;

Describe telehealth payment variation.

    d. _____ Include payment for ancillary costs associated with the delivery of covered services via telehealth, (if applicable), as follows:

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Other:

4. _____ Other payment changes:

Please describe.

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1. _____ The state elects to modify the basic personal needs allowance for institutionalized individuals. The basic personal needs allowance is equal to one of the following amounts:

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    b. _____ 300 percent of the SSI federal benefit rate

    c. _____ Other reasonable amount: _____

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   The state protects amounts exceeding the basic personal needs allowance for individuals who have the following greater personal needs:

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The State Medicaid agency (agency) seeks to implement the policies and procedures described below, which are different than the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the Medicaid state plan, during the period of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period described below:

Describe shorter period here.
Wisconsin seeks to implement this amendment from June 14, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

NOTE: States may not elect a period longer than the Presidential or Secretarial emergency declaration (or any renewal thereof). States may not propose changes on this template that restrict or limit payment, services, or eligibility, or otherwise burden beneficiaries and providers.

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__X__ The agency seeks the following under section 1135(b)(1)(C) and/or section 1135(b)(5) of the Act:

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c. __X__ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in Wisconsin Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline. Tribal consultation occurred on July 28, 2021 at the Tribal Health Director meeting.

Section A – Eligibility

1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

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   a. _____ All individuals who are described in section 1905(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX)

      Income standard: _____

      -or-

   b. _____ Individuals described in the following categorical populations in section 1905(a) of the Act:

      Income standard: _____

3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

Less restrictive resource methodologies:

4. _____ The agency considers individuals who are evacuated from the state, who leave the state for medical reasons related to the disaster or public health emergency, or who are otherwise absent from the state due to the disaster or public health emergency and who intend to return to the state, to continue to be residents of the state under 42 CFR 435.403(j)(3).

5. _____ The agency provides Medicaid coverage to the following individuals living in the state, who are non-residents:

6. _____ The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period for non-citizens declaring to be in a satisfactory immigration status, if the non-citizen is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistences or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency is unable to complete the verification process within the 90-day reasonable opportunity period due to the disaster or public health emergency.

Section B – Enrollment

1. _____ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

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4. _____ The agency adopts a total of _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) continuous eligibility for children under age enter age _____ (not to exceed age 19) regardless of changes in circumstances in accordance with section 1902(e)(12) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.926.

5. _____ The agency conducts redeterminations of eligibility for individuals excepted from MAGI-based financial methodologies under 42 CFR 435.603(j) once every _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) in accordance with 42 CFR 435.916(b).

6. _____ The agency uses the following simplified application(s) to support enrollment in affected areas or for affected individuals (a copy of the simplified application(s) has been submitted to CMS).

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Section C – Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. _____ The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

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2. _____ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

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    b. _____ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations.

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Please specify the standard(s) and/or criteria that the state will use to determine undue hardship.

Section D – Benefits

Benefits:

1. __X__ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

Hospitals that provide nursing-facility-level care to recipients, who are admitted to the hospital on an inpatient basis, are eligible for discharge and require nursing-facility–level care upon discharge, when the hospital is unable to transfer the recipient to a nursing facility after making reasonable attempts to locate a nursing facility that will accept the recipient. Hospitals must receive prior authorization prior to providing swing bed services.

2. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

3. _____ The agency assures that newly added benefits or adjustments to benefits comply with all applicable statutory requirements, including the statewideness requirements found at 1902(a)(1), comparability requirements found at 1902(a)(10)(B), and free choice of provider requirements found at 1902(a)(23).

4. _____ Application to Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP). The state adheres to all ABP provisions in 42 CFR Part 440, Subpart C. This section only applies to states that have an approved ABP(s).

    a. ____ The agency assures that these newly added and/or adjusted benefits will be made available to individuals receiving services under ABPs.

    b. ____ Individuals receiving services under ABPs will not receive these newly added and/or adjusted benefits, or will only receive the following subset:

Please describe.

Telehealth:

5. _____ The agency utilizes telehealth in the following manner, which may be different than outlined in the state's approved state plan:

Please describe.

Drug Benefit:

6. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to the day supply or quantity limit for covered outpatient drugs. The agency should only make this modification if its current state plan pages have limits on the amount of medication dispensed.

Please describe the change in days or quantities that are allowed for the emergency period and for which drugs.

7. _____ Prior authorization for medications is expanded by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.

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Section E – Payments

Optional benefits described in Section D:

1. __X__ Newly added benefits described in Section D are paid using the following methodology:

   a. ____ Published fee schedules –

      Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

b. __X__ Other:

This service will be reimbursed at a per-diem rate of $161.76.

Increases to state plan payment methodologies:

2. _____ The agency increases payment rates for the following services:

Please list all that apply.

a. _____ Payment increases are targeted based on the following criteria:

Please describe criteria.

b. Payments are increased through:

i. ____ A supplemental payment or add-on within applicable upper payment limits:

Please describe.

ii. ____ An increase to rates as described below.

Rates are increased:

_____ Uniformly by the following percentage: _____

_____ Through a modification to published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

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_____ Up to the Medicare payments for equivalent services.

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Please describe.

Payment for services delivered via telehealth:

3. _____ For the duration of the emergency, the state authorizes payments for telehealth services that:

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Describe telehealth payment variation.

    d. _____ Include payment for ancillary costs associated with the delivery of covered services via telehealth, (if applicable), as follows:

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4. _____ Other payment changes:

Please describe.

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1. _____ The state elects to modify the basic personal needs allowance for institutionalized individuals. The basic personal needs allowance is equal to one of the following amounts:

    a. _____ The individual's total income

    b. _____ 300 percent of the SSI federal benefit rate

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2. _____ The state elects a new variance to the basic personal needs allowance. (Note: Election

of this option is not dependent on a state electing the option described the option in F.1. above.)

The state protects amounts exceeding the basic personal needs allowance for individuals who have the following greater personal needs:

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Section 7 – General Provisions
7.4. Medicaid Disaster Relief for the COVID-19 National Emergency

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a proclamation that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency by the authorities vested in him by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (Act). On March 13, 2020, pursuant to section 1135(b) of the Act, the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services invoked his authority to waive or modify certain requirements of titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Act as a result of the consequences COVID-19 pandemic, to the extent necessary, as determined by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to ensure that sufficient health care items and services are available to meet the needs of individuals enrolled in the respective programs and to ensure that health care providers that furnish such items and services in good faith, but are unable to comply with one or more of such requirements as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may be reimbursed for such items and services and exempted from sanctions for such noncompliance, absent any determination of fraud or abuse. This authority took effect as of 6PM Eastern Standard Time on March 15, 2020, with a retroactive effective date of March 1, 2020. The emergency period will terminate, and waivers will no longer be available, upon termination of the public health emergency, including any extensions.

The State Medicaid agency (agency) seeks to implement the policies and procedures described below, which are different than the policies and procedures otherwise applied under the Medicaid state plan, during the period of the Presidential and Secretarial emergency declarations related to the COVID-19 outbreak (or any renewals thereof), or for any shorter period described below:

Describe shorter period here.
Wisconsin seeks to implement this amendment from December 1, 2021 through the last day of the Public Health Emergency.

NOTE: States may not elect a period longer than the Presidential or Secretarial emergency declaration (or any renewal thereof). States may not propose changes on this template that restrict or limit payment, services, or eligibility, or otherwise burden beneficiaries and providers.

Request for Waivers under Section 1135

__X__ The agency seeks the following under section 1135(b)(1)(C) and/or section 1135(b)(5) of the Act:

a. ____ SPA submission requirements – the agency requests modification of the requirement to submit the SPA by March 31, 2020, to obtain a SPA effective date during the first calendar quarter of 2020, pursuant to 42 CFR 430.20.

b. __X__ Public notice requirements – the agency requests waiver of public notice requirements that would otherwise be applicable to this SPA submission. These requirements may include those specified in 42 CFR 440.386 (Alternative Benefit Plans), 42 CFR 447.57(c) (premiums and cost sharing), and 42 CFR 447.205 (public notice of changes in statewide methods and standards for setting payment rates).

c. ___ Tribal consultation requirements – the agency requests modification of tribal consultation timelines specified in [insert name of state] Medicaid state plan, as described below:

Please describe the modifications to the timeline.

Section A – Eligibility

1. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following optional groups of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) or 1902(a)(10)(c) of the Act. This may include the new optional group described at section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIII) and 1902(ss) of the Act providing coverage for uninsured individuals.

Include name of the optional eligibility group and applicable income and resource standard.

2. _____ The agency furnishes medical assistance to the following populations of individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.218:

   a. _____ All individuals who are described in section 1905(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XX)

      Income standard: _____

      -or-

   b. _____ Individuals described in the following categorical populations in section 1905(a) of the Act:

      Income standard: _____

3. _____ The agency applies less restrictive financial methodologies to individuals excepted from financial methodologies based on modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) as follows.

   Less restrictive income methodologies:

Less restrictive resource methodologies:

4. _____ The agency considers individuals who are evacuated from the state, who leave the state for medical reasons related to the disaster or public health emergency, or who are otherwise absent from the state due to the disaster or public health emergency and who intend to return to the state, to continue to be residents of the state under 42 CFR 435.403(j)(3).

5. _____ The agency provides Medicaid coverage to the following individuals living in the state, who are non-residents:

6. _____ The agency provides for an extension of the reasonable opportunity period for non-citizens declaring to be in a satisfactory immigration status, if the non-citizen is making a good faith effort to resolve any inconsistences or obtain any necessary documentation, or the agency is unable to complete the verification process within the 90-day reasonable opportunity period due to the disaster or public health emergency.

Section B – Enrollment

1. _____ The agency elects to allow hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations for the following additional state plan populations, or for populations in an approved section 1115 demonstration, in accordance with section 1902(a)(47)(B) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.1110, provided that the agency has determined that the hospital is capable of making such determinations.

Please describe the applicable eligibility groups/populations and any changes to reasonable limitations, performance standards or other factors.

2. _____ The agency designates itself as a qualified entity for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L.

Please describe any limitations related to the populations included or the number of allowable PE periods.

3. _____ The agency designates the following entities as qualified entities for purposes of making presumptive eligibility determinations or adds additional populations as described below in accordance with sections 1920, 1920A, 1920B, and 1920C of the Act and 42 CFR Part 435 Subpart L. Indicate if any designated entities are permitted to make presumptive eligibility determinations only for specified populations.

Please describe the designated entities or additional populations and any limitations related to the specified populations or number of allowable PE periods.

4. _____ The agency adopts a total of _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) continuous eligibility for children under age enter age _____ (not to exceed age 19) regardless of changes in circumstances in accordance with section 1902(e)(12) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.926.

5. _____ The agency conducts redeterminations of eligibility for individuals excepted from MAGI-based financial methodologies under 42 CFR 435.603(j) once every _____ months (not to exceed 12 months) in accordance with 42 CFR 435.916(b).

6. _____ The agency uses the following simplified application(s) to support enrollment in affected areas or for affected individuals (a copy of the simplified application(s) has been submitted to CMS).

    a. _____ The agency uses a simplified paper application.

    b. _____ The agency uses a simplified online application.

    c. _____ The simplified paper or online application is made available for use in call-centers or other telephone applications in affected areas.

Section C – Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. _____ The agency suspends deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and other cost sharing charges as follows:

Please describe whether the state suspends all cost sharing or suspends only specified deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or other cost sharing charges for specified items and services or for specified eligibility groups consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(d) or for specified income levels consistent with 42 CFR 447.52(g).

2. _____ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

    a. _____ All beneficiaries

    b. _____ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations.

3. _____ The agency allows waiver of payment of the enrollment fee, premiums and similar charges for undue hardship.

Please specify the standard(s) and/or criteria that the state will use to determine undue hardship.

Section D – Benefits

Benefits:

1. __X__ The agency adds the following optional benefits in its state plan (include service descriptions, provider qualifications, and limitations on amount, duration or scope of the benefit):

Hospitals will be reimbursed for providing nursing facility level of care to recipients who require nursing facility level of care when they are unable to locate an available facility to transfer the recipient to after making reasonable attempts. Prior authorization is required.

2. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to benefits currently covered in the state plan:

3. _____ The agency assures that newly added benefits or adjustments to benefits comply with all applicable statutory requirements, including the statewideness requirements found at 1902(a)(1), comparability requirements found at 1902(a)(10)(B), and free choice of provider requirements found at 1902(a)(23).

4. _____ Application to Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP). The state adheres to all ABP provisions in 42 CFR Part 440, Subpart C. This section only applies to states that have an approved ABP(s).

    a. ____ The agency assures that these newly added and/or adjusted benefits will be made available to individuals receiving services under ABPs.

    b. ____ Individuals receiving services under ABPs will not receive these newly added and/or adjusted benefits, or will only receive the following subset:

Please describe.

Telehealth:

5. _____ The agency utilizes telehealth in the following manner, which may be different than outlined in the state's approved state plan:

Please describe.

Drug Benefit:

6. _____ The agency makes the following adjustments to the day supply or quantity limit for covered outpatient drugs. The agency should only make this modification if its current state plan pages have limits on the amount of medication dispensed.

Please describe the change in days or quantities that are allowed for the emergency period and for which drugs.

7. _____ Prior authorization for medications is expanded by automatic renewal without clinical review, or time/quantity extensions.

8. _____ The agency makes the following payment adjustment to the professional dispensing fee when additional costs are incurred by the providers for delivery. States will need to supply documentation to justify the additional fees.

Please describe the manner in which professional dispensing fees are adjusted.

9. _____ The agency makes exceptions to their published Preferred Drug List if drug shortages occur. This would include options for covering a brand name drug product that is a multi-source drug if a generic drug option is not available.

Section E – Payments

Optional benefits described in Section D:

1. __X__ Newly added benefits described in Section D are paid using the following methodology:

   a. ____ Published fee schedules –

      Effective date (enter date of change): _____

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs approved on 5/7/20, 6/12/20, 6/30/20, 5/19/21, 6/4/21, and 9/22/21 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

Location (list published location): _____

b. __X__ Other:

Hospitals that provide nursing facility level of care to recipients will be reimbursed at a per-diem rate of $193.06. The rate will be published on the Wisconsin DHS provider portal (https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Subsystem/Public/ProcedureLicenseAgreement.aspx). Except as otherwise noted in the state plan, Wisconsin's Medicaid payment rates are uniform for both private and governmental providers.

Increases to state plan payment methodologies:

2. _____ The agency increases payment rates for the following services:

Please list all that apply.

a. _____ Payment increases are targeted based on the following criteria:

Please describe criteria.

b. Payments are increased through:

i. ____ A supplemental payment or add-on within applicable upper payment limits:

Please describe.

ii. ____ An increase to rates as described below.

Rates are increased:

_____ Uniformly by the following percentage: _____

_____ Through a modification to published fee schedules –

Effective date (enter date of change): _____

Location (list published location): _____

_____ Up to the Medicare payments for equivalent services.

This SPA is in addition to the Disaster Relief SPAs approved on 5/7/20, 6/12/20, 6/30/20, 5/19/21, 6/4/21, and 9/22/21 and does not supersede anything approved in those SPAs.

_____ By the following factors:

Please describe.

Payment for services delivered via telehealth:

3. _____ For the duration of the emergency, the state authorizes payments for telehealth services that:

    a. ____ Are not otherwise paid under the Medicaid state plan;

    b. ____ Differ from payments for the same services when provided face to face;

    c. ____ Differ from current state plan provisions governing reimbursement for telehealth;

Describe telehealth payment variation.

    d. ____ Include payment for ancillary costs associated with the delivery of covered services via telehealth, (if applicable), as follows:

        i. ____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is incorporated into fee-for-service rates.

        ii. ____ Ancillary cost associated with the originating site for telehealth is separately reimbursed as an administrative cost by the state when a Medicaid service is delivered.

Other:

4. _____ Other payment changes:

Please describe.

Section F – Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income

1. ____ The state elects to modify the basic personal needs allowance for institutionalized individuals. The basic personal needs allowance is equal to one of the following amounts:

    a. ____ The individual's total income

    b. ____ 300 percent of the SSI federal benefit rate

c. ____ Other reasonable amount: _____

2. ____ The state elects a new variance to the basic personal needs allowance. (Note: Election of this option is not dependent on a state electing the option described the option in F.1. above.)

The state protects amounts exceeding the basic personal needs allowance for individuals who have the following greater personal needs:

Please describe the group or groups of individuals with greater needs and the amount(s) protected for each group or groups.

Section G – Other Policies and Procedures Differing from Approved Medicaid State Plan /Additional Information

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Vaccine and Vaccine Administration at Section 1905(a)(4)(E) of the Social Security Act

During the period starting March 11, 2021 and ending on the last day of the first calendar quarter that begins one year after the last day of the emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (the Act):

Coverage

__x__ The state assures coverage of COVID-19 vaccines and administration of the vaccines.[1]

__x__ The state assures that such coverage:

1. Is provided to all eligibility groups covered by the state, including the optional Individuals Eligible for Family Planning Services, Individuals with Tuberculosis, and COVID-19 groups if applicable, with the exception of the Medicare Savings Program groups and the COBRA Continuation Coverage group for which medical assistance consists only of payment of premiums; and
2. Is provided to beneficiaries without cost sharing pursuant to section 1916(a)(2)(H) and section 1916A(b)(3)(B)(xii) of the Act; reimbursement to qualified providers for such coverage is not reduced by any cost sharing that would otherwise be applicable under the state plan.

__x__ Applies to the state's approved Alternative Benefit Plans, without any deduction, cost sharing or similar charge, pursuant to section 1937(b)(8)(A) of the Act.

_x__The state provides coverage for any medically necessary COVID-19 vaccine counseling for children under the age of 21 pursuant to §§1902(a)(11), 1902(a)(43), and 1905(hh) of the Act.

_x___ The state assures compliance with the HHS COVID-19 PREP Act declarations and authorizations, including all of the amendments to the declaration, with respect to the providers that are considered qualified to prescribe, dispense, administer, deliver and/or distribute COVID-19 vaccines.

Additional Information (Optional):

[1] The vaccine will be claimed under this benefit once the federal government discontinues purchasing the vaccine.

Reimbursement

__x__ The state assures that the state plan has established rates for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines for all qualified providers pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(E) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

List Medicaid state plan references to payment methodologies that describe the rates for COVID-19 vaccines and their administration for each applicable Medicaid benefit:

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_x___ The state is establishing rates for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(E) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

_x___ The state's rates for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines are consistent with Medicare rates for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines, including any future Medicare updates at the:

____ Medicare national average, OR

__x__ Associated geographically adjusted rate.

____ The state is establishing a state specific fee schedule for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(E) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

The state's rate is as follows and the state's fee schedule is published in the following location :

$38.16. Rates are published on the max fee schedule on the Forward Health provider portal. https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Subsystem/Publications/MaxFeeDynamicSearch.aspx

__x__ The state's fee schedule is the same for all governmental and private providers.

____ The below listed providers are paid differently from the above rate schedules and payment to these providers for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines are described under the benefit payment methodology applicable to the provider type:

____The payment methodologies for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines for providers listed above are described below:

_x__The state is establishing rates for any medically necessary COVID-19 vaccine counseling for children under the age of 21 pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(E), 1905(r)(1)(B)(v) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

__x_The state's rate is as follows and the state's fee schedule is published in the following location :

$30; Rates are published on the max fee schedule on the Forward Health provider portal. https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Subsystem/Publications/MaxFeeDynamicSearch.aspx

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COVID-19 Testing at section 1905(a)(4)(F) of the Social Security Act

During the period starting March 11, 2021 and ending on the last day of the first calendar quarter that begins one year after the last day of the emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (the Act):

Coverage

__x_ The states assures coverage of COVID-19 testing consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) definitions of diagnostic and screening testing for COVID-19 and its recommendations for who should receive diagnostic and screening tests for COVID-19.

_x__ The state assures that such coverage:

1. Includes all types of FDA authorized COVID-19 tests;
2. Is provided to all categorically needy eligibility groups covered by the state that receive full Medicaid benefits;
3. Is provided to the optional COVID-19 group if applicable; and
4. Is provided to beneficiaries without cost sharing pursuant to section 1916(a)(2)(l) and 1916A(b)(3)(B)(xiii) of the Act; reimbursement to qualified providers for such coverage is not reduced by any cost sharing that would otherwise be applicable under the state plan.

Please describe any limits on amount, duration or scope of COVID-19 testing consistent with 42 CFR 440.230(b).

_x__ Applies to the state's approved Alternative Benefit Plans, without any deduction, cost sharing, or similar charge, pursuant to section 1937(b)(8)(B) of the Act.

_x__The state assures compliance with the HHS COVID-19 PREP Act declarations and authorizations, including all of the amendments to the declaration.

Additional Information (Optional):

Reimbursement

__x__ The state assures that it has established state plan rates for COVID-19 testing consistent with the CDC definitions of diagnostic and screening testing for COVID-19 and its recommendations for who should receive diagnostic and screening tests for COVID-19.

List references to Medicaid state plan payment methodologies that describe the rates for COVID-19 testing for each applicable Medicaid benefit:

Rates are published on the max fee schedule on the Forward Health provider portal. https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Subsystem/Publications/MaxFeeDynamicSearch.aspx

_x___ The state is establishing rates for COVID-19 testing pursuant to pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(F) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

__x__ The state's rates for COVID-19 testing are consistent with Medicare rates for testing, including any future Medicare updates at the:

____ Medicare national average, OR

__x__ Associated geographically adjusted rate.

____ The state is establishing a state specific fee schedule for COVID-19 testing pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(F) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

The state's rate is as follows and the state's fee schedule is published in the following location :

Rates are published on the max fee schedule on the Forward Health provider portal. https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Subsystem/Publications/MaxFeeDynamicSearch.aspx

___x_ The state's fee schedule is the same for all governmental and private providers.

____ The below listed providers are paid differently from the above rate schedules and payment to these providers for COVID-19 testing is described under the benefit payment methodology applicable to the provider type:

Additional Information (Optional):

____The payment methodologies for COVID-19 testing for providers listed above are described below:

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COVID-19 Treatment at section 1905(a)(4)(F) of the Social Security Act
During the period starting March 11, 2021 and ending on the last day of the first calendar quarter that begins one year after the last day of the emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (the Act):

Coverage for the Treatment and Prevention of COVID

__x_ The states assures coverage of COVID-19 treatment, including specialized equipment and therapies (including preventive therapies).

__x_ The state assures that such coverage:

1. Includes any non-pharmacological item or service described in section 1905(a) of the Act, that is medically necessary for treatment of COVID-19;
2. Includes any drug or biological that is approved (or licensed) by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) or authorized by the FDA under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) to treat or prevent COVID-19, consistent with the applicable authorizations;
3. Is provided without amount, duration or scope limitations that would otherwise apply when covered for purposes other than treatment or prevention of COVID-19;
4. Is provided to all categorically needy eligibility groups covered by the state that receive full Medicaid benefits;
5. Is provided to the optional COVID-19 group, if applicable; and
6. Is provided to beneficiaries without cost sharing pursuant to section 1916(a)(2)(I) and 1916A(b)(3)(B)(xiii) of the Act; reimbursement to qualified providers for such coverage is not reduced by any cost sharing that would otherwise be applicable under the state plan.

_x__ Applies to the state's approved Alternative Benefit Plans, without any deduction, cost sharing, or similar charge, pursuant to section 1937(b)(8)(B) of the Act.

_x__The state assures compliance with the HHS COVID-19 PREP Act declarations and authorizations, including all of the amendments to the declaration.

Additional Information (Optional):

Coverage for a Condition that May Seriously Complicate the Treatment of COVID

_x__ The states assures coverage of treatment for a condition that may seriously complicate the treatment of COVID-19 during the period when a beneficiary is diagnosed with or is presumed to have COVID-19.

__x_ The state assures that such coverage:

1. Includes items and services, including drugs, that were covered by the state as of March 11, 2021;
2. Is provided without amount, duration or scope limitations that would otherwise apply when covered for other purposes;
3. Is provided to all categorically needy eligibility groups covered by the state that receive full Medicaid benefits;
4. Is provided to the optional COVID-19 group, if applicable; and
5. Is provided to beneficiaries without cost sharing pursuant to section 1916(a)(2)(I) and 1916A(b)(3)(B)(xiii) of the Act; reimbursement to qualified providers for such coverage is not reduced by any cost sharing that would otherwise be applicable under the state plan.

__x_ Applies to the state's approved Alternative Benefit Plans, without any deduction, cost sharing, or similar charge, pursuant to section 1937(b)(8)(B) of the Act.

_x__The state assures compliance with the HHS COVID-19 PREP Act declarations and authorizations, including all of the amendments to the declaration.

Additional Information (Optional):

Reimbursement

__x__ The state assures that it has established state plan rates for COVID-19 treatment, including specialized equipment and therapies (including preventive therapies).

List references to Medicaid state plan payment methodologies that describe the rates for COVID-19 treatment for each applicable Medicaid benefit:

Rates are published on the max fee schedule on the Forward Health provider portal.
https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Subsystem/Publications/MaxFeeDynamicSearch.aspx

__x__ The state is establishing rates or fee schedule for COVID-19 treatment, including specialized equipment and therapies (including preventive therapies) pursuant to sections 1905(a)(4)(F) and 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act.

Rates are published on the max fee schedule on the Forward Health provider portal.
https://www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/WIPortal/Subsystem/Publications/MaxFeeHome.aspx

__x__ The state's rates or fee schedule is the same for all governmental and private providers.

____ The below listed providers are paid differently from the above rate schedules and payment to these providers for COVID-19 vaccines and the administration of the vaccines are described under the benefit payment methodology applicable to the provider type:

Additional Information (Optional):

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Section 7 – General Provisions
7.4.B. Temporary Extension to the Disaster Relief Policies for the COVID-19 National Emergency

Effective May 12, 2023 until December 31, 2023, the agency temporarily extends the following election(s) in section 7.4 (approved on 06/12/2020 in SPA Number WI-20-0010) of the state plan.

Premiums and Cost Sharing

1. __X__ The agency suspends enrollment fees, premiums and similar charges for:

    a. _____ All beneficiaries

    b. __X__ The following eligibility groups or categorical populations:

Please list the applicable eligibility groups or populations. Suspend premiums for the Work Incentives group under 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act