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Members of the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee State Capitol Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Dear Subcommittee Member:

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requires the Utah Department of Health to update its State Plan and existing waivers for Medicaid when the State makes changes to the program. In accordance with these changes and the reporting requirements found at Utah Code Annotated (UCA) 26-18-3 (3), the following is a summary of recent changes:

State Plan Amendments

Pediatric Dental Supplemental Payments

The Department has submitted an amendment to the State Plan to clarify the methodology used to provide supplemental payments to pediatric dental providers.

This amendment, therefore, sets a payment pool based on total funds rather than state general funds. It also clarifies the State's policy to consider only claims for children who are under 12 years of age.

The Department estimates total annual expenditures could increase by \$9,400 as a result of this change.

This amendment will not affect future appropriations and there is no cost shift to more expensive services for Medicaid members and their families.



Waivers

Choice of Dental Care Delivery Program Waiver Renewal

This waiver renewal request was re-submitted on 9/28/2018 based on a CMS request. The waiver renews the Medicaid dental managed care program in accordance with UCA 26-18-2.6, Dental benefits.

Sincerely,

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