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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 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 reporting requirements of Subsection 26-18-3(3)(a), the following is a summary of recent changes:

State Plan Amendments

Eligibility

The Department has transmitted a State Plan Amendment to implement eligibility provisions for the Medicaid program.

This amendment updates eligibility requirements for Non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income (Non-MAGI) groups, other mandatory coverage groups, and Former Foster Care Children.

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



Waivers

Waiver for Technology Dependent, Medically Fragile Individuals

The following major changes were submitted for this waiver:

- High Flow Nasal Cannula (HFNC) dependence was added to existing Bi-level Positive Airway Pressure (Bi-PAP) and Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (C-PAP) dependence as a qualifying technology to meet target group criteria for the waiver.
- Quality Improvement performance measures have been revised to better align with waiver Assurances and Sub-Assurances.
- The description of the grievance/complaint system has been updated to reflect current systems and processes.
- Family Directed Support services have been removed. All services within the scope of Family Directed Support services are covered by RN Waiver Coordinators and the Financial Management Services agencies.
- The Bureau for Children with Special Healthcare Needs is no longer an available provider type for In-Home Feeding Therapy services.
- Service rates have been updated based on State Plan reimbursement rates, and show rates for Self-Administered Services where required.

Sincerely,



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