

Title XXI CHIP State Plan Template Crosswalk

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| Section                                                         | Old Version                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | New Version                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Type of Change | Reason for Change                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Burden of Change (Yes or No) |
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| Section 3<br><br>3.10 Program Integrity –<br><br>3.10.17        | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Assurance language with check off box:<br><br>The State assures that each managed care entity (as defined in 42 CFR 457.10) or plan (MCO, PIHP, PAHP, PCCM, and PCCM entity) that the State contracts with under the State plan promptly transmits to the State any enrollee address information. This includes address information received directly from the enrollee or information the entity verifies directly with the enrollee. This is required in section 2103(f)(3) of the Act, which cross-references to section 1932(j) of the Act.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Addition       | To reflect a statutory requirement effective January 1, 2027, that creates state plan requirements related to address verification for states.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Yes                          |
| Section 7<br>Quality and Appropriateness of Care –<br><br>7.2.4 | State provides description of methods used to ensure compliance with federal policy:<br><br>Decisions related to the prior authorization of health services are completed in accordance with State law or, in accordance with the medical needs of the patient, within 14 days after the receipt of a request for services. (Section 2102(a)(7)) (42CFR 457.495(d)) Exigent medical circumstances may | State provides description of methods used to ensure compliance with federal policy:<br><br>Decisions related to the prior authorization of health services are completed within 7 calendar days for a standard request or within 72 hours for an expedited request. An extension of up to 14 days may be permitted if an enrollee, physician, or health plan requests the extension to obtain additional information. Enrollees must be provided notice of the state’s prior authorization decision, decision information, and information about enrollee review rights. States may establish prior authorization decision timeframes of a shorter duration in accordance with State law.<br><br>An emergency medical circumstance may require more rapid response according to the medical needs of the enrollee. | Modify         | To reflect a regulatory requirement effective January 1, 2026, unless a state is granted an extension, the CMS Interoperability and Prior Authorization Final Rule (CMS-0057-F) amended 42 CFR 457.495(d) to require state CHIP fee-for-service programs to complete prior authorization decisions within 7 calendar days for standard requests and 72 hours for expedited requests. Additionally, states must notify the enrollee of the prior authorization decision and provide review rights. | Yes                          |

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|                                                                   | require more rapid response according to the medical needs of the patient. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |     |
| Section 7<br>Quality and Appropriateness of Care –<br><br>7.2.4.1 | N/A                                                                        | Assurance language with check off box:<br><br>The State annually posts on its website the prior authorization metrics described in 42 CFR 457.732(c). The State must make the previous calendar year metrics publicly accessible by March 31.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Addition | To reflect a regulatory requirement effective March 31, 2026, the CMS Interoperability and Prior Authorization Final Rule (CMS-0057-F) amended 42 CFR 457.732(c) to require state CHIP fee-for-service programs to post prior authorization metrics annually to their website for the previous calendar year by March 31. | Yes |
| Section 11<br>Program Integrity –<br><br>11.3                     | N/A                                                                        | Assurance language with check off box:<br><br>The state assures that it has a process to regularly obtain address information for individuals enrolled as specified at section 2107(e)(1)(H) of the Act, which cross-references to section 1902(a)(88)(A) of the Act as follows                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Addition | To reflect a statutory requirement effective January 1, 2027, that creates state plan requirements related to address verification for states.                                                                                                                                                                            | Yes |
| Section 11<br>Program Integrity –<br><br>11.3.1                   | N/A                                                                        | Assurance language with check off box:<br><br>The agency has a process to regularly obtain updated address information from:<br><br>a. Mail returned to the State by the United States Postal Service (USPS) with a forwarding address.<br>b. The National Change of Address Database (NCOA) maintained by USPS.<br>c. A managed care entity (as defined in 42 CFR 457.10) managed care organization (MCO), primary care case manager (PCCM), PCCM entity, prepaid inpatient health plan (PIHP), or prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP) that has a contract under the State plan if the address information is provided directly from, or verified with, the applicant | Addition | To reflect a statutory requirement effective January 1, 2027, that creates state plan requirements related to address verification for states.                                                                                                                                                                            | Yes |

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|                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | or beneficiary (or someone acting on their behalf).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                        |                                                                                                                                                                           |     |
| Section 11<br>Program Integrity –<br><br>11.3.2 | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <p>State provides description of data sources used, if applicable:</p> <p>The agency obtains updated address information from other data sources:</p> <p>If selected, please describe the following:</p> <p>Name of the data source(s):</p> <p>Description of data source(s), including safeguards to ensure accuracy of address information returned:</p> | Additon                | To reflect a statutory requirement effective January 1, 2027, that creates state plan requirements related to address verification for states.                            | Yes |
| Section 13 –<br><br>Appendix                    | No title in old version                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Adding title: Section 13 – Appendix                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Technical addition     | To give this section a title.                                                                                                                                             | No  |
| Section 13 –<br><br>Appendix                    | <p>Table titled: CMS Regional Offices</p> <p>Columns titled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CMS Regional Offices</li> <li>• States</li> <li>• Associate Regional Administrator</li> <li>• Regional Office Address</li> </ul> | <p>Updated table: CMS Regional Points of Contact</p> <p>Update column titles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CMS Regions</li> <li>• CHIP Project Officer (PO)</li> </ul> <p>Reordered states to be in alphabetical order</p> <p>Remove column Regional Office Address<br/>Included the updated contact information for CHIP POs</p>          | Technical modification | Made a variety of technical changes to align the chart with how CMCS operates (states work with CHIP POs versus MCOG now) and to make certain information more evergreen. | No  |