

Tribal Notice

Public Comment Period for State Plan Amendment IA-25-0012: Targeted Case Management Services for Eligible Juveniles

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Notice is hereby given to all federally recognized tribes, Indian Health Programs and Urban Indian Organizations within the State of Iowa that the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will be submitting to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) State Plan Amendment (SPA) IA-25-0012 to address coverage of eligible juveniles and former foster care children who are within 30 days of their scheduled date of release from a public institution following adjudication, and for at least 30 days following release.

Summary of Submission

This amendment will align with the federal regulations in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (CAA 2023), Section 5121 to provide services to individuals who are under 21 years of age and determined eligible for any Medicaid eligibility group, or individuals determined eligible for the mandatory eligibility group for former foster care children age 18 up to age 26, immediately before becoming an inmate of a public institution or while an inmate of a public institution who are within 30 days of their scheduled date of release from a public institution following adjudication and for at least 30 days following release. Services include those identified under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) as well as Targeted Case Management (TCM). TCM services are defined as services furnished to assist individuals, eligible under the SPA, in gaining access to needed medical, social, educational and other services.

HHS seeks a January 1, 2025, effective date for this SPA.

Tribal Impact

Currently, any tribal child (under age 19) enrolled in Hawki would be discontinued upon incarceration. This SPA will allow for the Hawki benefits to be suspended rather than discontinued while the youth is incarcerated, for both fee-for-service (FFS) and managed care program (MCP) enrolled youth.

Comments

A copy of SPA IA-25-0012 is included with this notice. Written comments may be addressed to Christy Casey, Tribal Liaison, Iowa Medicaid, 321 E 12th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0114. Comments may also be sent via electronic mail to christy.casey@iowa.hhs.gov HHS will host a consultation call with tribal members on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 10:00 am. You may join the Teams virtual meeting by clicking [here](#) or by calling +1 469-998-6046, Phone conference ID: 151 515 150#.

All comments must be received by March 27th, 2025.

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