

Amendment Request for Florida's 1115 Managed Medical Assistance Waiver

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Federal Waiver Authorization

- **Initial 5-Year Period (2006-2011):** On October 19, 2005, Florida's 1115 Research and Demonstration Waiver named “Medicaid Reform” was approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (Federal CMS). The program was implemented in Broward and Duval Counties July 1, 2006 and expanded to Baker, Clay and Nassau Counties July 1, 2007.
- **Three-Year Extension Period (2011-2014):** An extension of the waiver was granted by Federal CMS to maintain and continue operations for the current program for the period December 16, 2011 to June 30, 2014.
- **Managed Medical Assistance Amendment (2013):** The amendment to implement the Managed Medical Assistance program as authorized Florida Statutes, was granted by Federal CMS on June 14, 2013.
- **Three-Year Waiver Extension (2014-2017):** On July 31, 2014, the State received federal approval to extend the waiver for the period July 31, 2014 until June 30, 2017.

Amendment of the 1115 Waiver

- Changes related to demonstration features must be submitted to CMS as amendments to the demonstration.
- Types of changes requiring approval are eligibility, enrollment, benefits, enrollee rights, delivery systems, cost sharing, evaluation design, Low Income Pool, sources of non-federal share of funding, budget neutrality, and other comparable program and budget elements.

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- **Federal Waiver Amendment Requirements:** Florida is required to publish on the Agency's website a "Public Notice" document for public input 30 days prior to submitting the waiver amendment request. The document must include a comprehensive description of the program and the information outlined on the next slide.
- The public notice document is available at the following link for review and comment from September 17, 2014 to October 17, 2014.
http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/statewide_mc/index.shtml#FCA
- Written comments may be e-mailed to FLMedicaidWaivers@ahca.myflorida.com or mailed to:

1115 MMA Waiver Amendment Request
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Amendment of the 1115 Waiver

- The State is seeking federal authority to amend Florida's 1115 MMA Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) Waiver to allow certain populations who were previously excluded from the MMA program to voluntarily enroll.
- The proposed amendment will allow Medicaid-eligible recipients residing in **group home facilities licensed under Section (s.) 393.067**, Florida Statutes (F.S.), as well as **Medicaid-eligible children receiving Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care (PPEC)** services to voluntarily enroll in Florida's MMA program, a component of the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) program. Florida law specifies that reimbursement will be on a fee-for-service basis to providers of PPEC services for children enrolled in an MMA plan and will not be included in the MMA plan's capitated payment.

Amendment of the 1115 Waiver - Objectives

- To allow residents of group home facilities licensed under s. 393.067, F.S., to select an MMA plan and take advantage of the higher standards required of the plans while allowing these individuals access to care coordination and expanded benefits offered by the plans.
- To enable children receiving PPEC services and currently enrolled in the Children's Medical Services Network or another managed care plan to remain in that plan without disruption of services, ensuring their continuity of care and participation in the MMA program. Additionally, these children will be able to take advantage of the higher plan standards required and the expanded benefits offered by the plans.

Public Meetings

Schedule of Public Meetings

Location	Date	Time
Tallahassee Agency for Health Care Administration 2727 Mahan Drive Building 3 Conference Room A Tallahassee, FL 32308	September 23, 2014	2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Tampa Agency for Health Care Administration 6800 North Dale Mabry Highway Main Training Room Tampa, FL 33614	September 29, 2014	1:00-2:00 p.m.

Begin Public Comment Period



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