

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
601 E. 12th St., Room 355  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106



Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group

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May 9, 2022

Ms. Stephanie Stephens  
State Medicaid Director  
Texas Health and Human Services Commission  
Mail Code: H100  
Post Office Box 13247  
Austin, Texas 78711

**Re: Texas State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0006**

Dear Ms. Stephens:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) TX SPA 22-0006. This amendment proposes to conform the state plan to Section 210 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260) related to mandatory Medicaid coverage of routine patients costs furnished in connection with participation in qualifying clinical trials.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations. This letter is to inform you that TX Medicaid SPA 22-0006 was approved on May 9, 2022, with an effective date of January 1, 2022.”

If you have any questions, please contact Ford Blunt at 214-767-6381 or via email at [Ford.Blunt@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Ford.Blunt@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

James G. Scott, Director  
Division of Program Operations

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF  
STATE PLAN MATERIAL  
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER  
**2 2 0 0 0 6**

2. STATE  
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3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR  
CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  
**01/01/2022**

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

**Section 210 amended section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act) adding to 1905(a)(30) and adding a new section 1905(gg). Also amends sections 1902(a)(10)(A) and 1937(b)(5) of the Act**

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)  
a. FFY 2022 \$ 0  
b. FFY 2023 \$ 0

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

**Attachment 3.1-A Page 12  
Attachment 3.1-B Page 11**

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)

**N/A**

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

**The purpose of the amendment is to conform the state plan to Section 210 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260) related to mandatory Medicaid coverage of routine patient costs furnished in connection with participation in qualifying clinical trials.**

10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)

- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT  
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED  
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Sent to Governor's Office this date. Comments, if any, will be forwarded upon receipt.

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

**Stephanie Stephens**

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15. RETURN TO

**Stephanie Stephens  
State Medicaid Director  
Post Office Box 13247, MC: H-100  
Austin, Texas 78711**

12. TYPED NAME

**Stephanie Stephens**

13. TITLE

**State Medicaid Director**

14. DATE SUBMITTED

**March 30, 2022**

**FOR CMS USE ONLY**

16. DATE RECEIVED

March 30, 2022

17. DATE APPROVED

May 9, 2022

**PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED**

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

January 1, 2022

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

James G. Scott

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

Director, Division of Program Operations

22. REMARKS

State/Territory: TX

**AMOUNT, DURATION AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL  
CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE CATEGORICALLY NEEDY**

30. Coverage of Routine Patient Cost in Qualifying Clinical Trials

Provided: ✓

I. General Assurances:

**Routine Patient Cost – Section 1905(gg)(1)**

✓ Coverage of routine patient cost for items and services as defined in section 1905(gg)(1) that are furnished in connection with participation in a qualified clinical trial.

**Qualifying Clinical Trial – Section 1905(gg)(2)**

✓ A qualified clinical trial is a clinical trial that meets the definition at section 1905(gg)(2).

**Coverage Determination – Section 1905(gg)(3)**

✓ A determination with respect to coverage for an individual participating in a qualified clinical trial will be made in accordance with section 1905(gg)(3).

PRA Disclosure Statement - This information is being collected to assist the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services in implementing Section 210 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 amending section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act), by adding a new mandatory benefit at section 1905(a)(30). Section 210 mandates coverage of routine patient services and costs furnished in connection with participation by Medicaid beneficiaries in qualifying clinical trials effective January 1, 2022. Section 210 also amended sections 1902(a)(10)(A) and 1937(b)(5) of the Act to make coverage of this new benefit mandatory under the state plan and any benchmark or benchmark equivalent coverage (also referred to as alternative benefit plans, or ABPs). Under the Privacy Act of 1974 any personally identifying information obtained will be kept private to the extent of the law. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The OMB control number for this project is 0938-1148 (CMS-10398 #74). Public burden for all of the collection of information requirements under this control number is estimated to take about 56 hours per response. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to CMS, 7500 Security Boulevard, Attn: Paperwork Reduction Act Reports Clearance Officer, Mail Stop C4-26-05, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

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**MEDICALLY NEEDY GROUP(S)**

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