

Arkansas Title XIX Waiver and Expenditure Authorities

1. Statewideness and Eligibility Methods and Standards – Section 1902(a)(1)

To enable Arkansas to implement a program to provide benefits to evacuees who are determined to be eligible under a Home State Medicaid program on less than a Statewide basis

2. Fair Hearings and Notices – Section 1902(a)(3)

To enable Arkansas to make determinations of temporary status in the Arkansas Medicaid program for a period of up to 5 months without according the right to fair hearings or appeals of adverse determinations that would be available for determinations with respect to permanent eligibility status. Nothing in this waiver limits the rights of such individuals to seek a determination of permanent eligibility status in the Home State with the right to fair hearings or appeals of adverse determinations.

3. Cooperation in Establishing Paternity – Section 1902(a)(45)

To permit Arkansas to determine eligibility for evacuees under the Home State program without requiring applicants to comply with paternity cooperation requirements of section 1912.

4. Comparability – Section 1902(a)(17)

To enable Arkansas to determine financial eligibility without using the income and resource methodologies of the AFDC or SSI programs.

5. Retroactive Eligibility – Section 1902(a)(34)

To enable Arkansas to waive the requirement to provide medical assistance for up to 3 months prior to the date that application for assistance under a temporary eligibility period is made for evacuees.

6. Provider Agreements - Section 1902(a)(32)

To permit the provision of care in Arkansas by individuals or entities who have not executed a Provider Agreement with the Home State Medicaid Agency but have such an agreement with the State of Arkansas.

Title XXI:

1. Eligibility Screening – Section 2102(a)

The State child health plan of Arkansas does not have to reflect the evacuee population.

2. Eligibility Screening – Section 2103(a)

The Title XXI simplified eligibility chart criteria will be followed when enrolling evacuee children from the Home States.

3. Annual Reporting Requirements – Section 2108

To permit not applying annual reporting requirements to this evacuee population.

Section 1115 Demonstration Medicaid Costs Not Otherwise Matchable

Under the authority of section 1115(a)(2) of the Act, Arkansas expenditures under the section 1115 demonstration described below (which would not otherwise be included as matchable expenditures under section 1903) shall, for the period of the project, be regarded as expenditures under the State's title XIX plan. All requirements of the Medicaid statute will be applicable to such expenditures, except those specified below as not applicable to these expenditure authorities. In addition, all requirements in the enclosed Special Terms and Conditions will apply to these expenditure authorities.

1. Arkansas expenditures including both administrative and benefit costs of extending benefits during a temporary eligibility period to evacuees who fit into the demonstration population consisting of parents, pregnant women, children under age 19, individuals with disabilities, low-income Medicare recipients, and low-income individuals in need of long-term care with incomes up to and including the levels listed on the simplified eligibility chart are determined to be eligible under a Home State Medicaid program.
2. Expenditures for Home and Community-Based Services furnished to evacuees including administrative and benefit costs.

Section 1115 Demonstration SCHIP Costs Not Otherwise Matchable

In addition, under the authority of section 1115(a)(2) of the Act as incorporated into title XXI by section 2106(e)(2)(A), Arkansas expenditures described below (which would not otherwise be included as matchable expenditures under title XXI), shall for the period of this project and to the extent of the home State's available allotment under section 2104 of the Act, be regarded as matchable expenditures under the State's title XXI plan. All requirements of the title XXI statute will be applicable to such expenditures, except specified below as not applicable to these expenditure authorities. In addition, all requirements in the enclosed Special Terms and Conditions will apply to these expenditure authorities.

1. Expenditures including both administrative and benefit costs of extending benefits during a temporary eligibility period to evacuees who are determined to be eligible under a Home State SCHIP program.
2. Expenditures to permit Federal matching payment for the provision of medical assistance on behalf of a child during a temporary eligibility period that is not implemented in accordance with section 1920A.

The State will establish a process to ensure that demonstration expenditures do not exceed the Home State's available title XXI funding.

No Federal funding is available for any Arkansas State programs or for participants not income-eligible according to the Special Terms and Conditions.

ATTACHMENT B

Evacuee Eligibility Simplification Based on Home State Eligibility Rules

<u>Simplified Eligibility Groups</u>	<u>FPL Levels</u>
Children Under Age 19	up to and including 200% FPL
Pregnant Women from Louisiana and Mississippi	up to and including 185% FPL
Pregnant Women from Alabama	up to and including 133% FPL
Individuals with Disabilities	up to and including 300% SSI
Low-income Medicare Recipients	up to and including 100% FPL
Low-income individuals in need of Long Term Care	up to and including 300% SSI
Low-income Parents of Children Under Age 19	up to and including 100% FPL