DETAILED COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Streamlining Application and Enrollment

Facilitating Medicaid Enrollment

consider policies for expedited eligibility for emergency services Medicaid provided to undocumented children.

We ask CMS to consider applying the same stream lining and timeliness standards, where appropriate, to applications for emergency services Medicaid.

Eliminating Barriers to Access in Medicaid

Improving Retention Rates at and Between Regular Renewals

Timeliness Standards & Changes in Circumstance

encourage CMS to consider further streamlining the renew al process for individuals with a qualifying disability.

Action on Returned Mail

Transitions Between Medicaid, CHIP and the Basic Health Program

Weask CMSto

consider working with Congress to require CHIP effective dates to begin in the month of the application/eligibility determination. Further, CMS should explicitly allow states the option to provide presumptive eligibility for CHIP coverage, and a 60-grace period thereafter for patient families to complete the premium and MCO requirements

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