

PUBLIC NOTICE

January 28, 2021 (Revised)

In August 2020, Missouri voters approved Amendment 2 of the Missouri Constitution, electing the federal option to provide Medicaid coverage to adults 19 years of age or over and under 65 years of age with an income at or under 133% of the federal poverty level (plus 5% of the applicable family size). Pursuant to Section 440.386 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the Department of Social Services (DSS), MO HealthNet Division (MHD), is providing public notice of its intent to submit a state plan amendment (SPA) to define the alternative benefit plan (ABP) that will be the health benefit coverage for the new adult group. DSS/MHD assures that individuals under twenty-one (21) years of age, pursuant to EPSDT federal regulations, Section 440.345 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, may receive additional services if determined medically necessary.

The effective date of this SPA is July 1, 2021, contingent upon CMS approval.

The estimated budget impact for State Fiscal Year 2022 is \$1,893,589,744 (\$129,414,353 general revenue, \$1,582,228,120 federal, and \$181,947,271 other).

The State's public comment period will be open from January 28, 2021 through February 15, 2021.

Comments may be submitted in writing by mail to the following address:

MO HealthNet Division
P.O. Box 6500
Jefferson City, MO 65102
Attention: MO HealthNet Expansion

Comments also may be submitted by e-mail to Ask.MHD@dss.mo.gov. Please use "MO HealthNet Expansion" in the subject line.

Comments must be received by February 15, 2021.

The proposed SPA documents may be viewed online at <https://dss.mo.gov/mhd/alerts~public-notices.htm>. A copy of the proposed SPA may be requested by contacting the MO HealthNet Division at the above noted mail or e-mail address.

No public hearing will be held.