## **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

February 8, 2022

Jacey Cooper Chief Deputy Director, Health Care Programs California Department of Health Care Services P.O. Box 997413, MS 0000 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Dear Ms. Cooper:

Enclosed is an approved copy of California State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0069, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on December 30, 2021. This SPA will exempt from estate recovery any payment made to qualified recipients of the Forced or Involuntary Victim Compensation Program following the death of a qualified Medicaid member.

The effective date of this SPA is March 31, 2022. Enclosed is the following approved SPA page that should be incorporated into your approved State Plan:

• Section 4.17, page 53c.1

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Young at 415-744-3598 or via email at <u>Cheryl.Young@cms.hhs.gov.</u>

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by James G. Scott -S Date: 2022.02.08 17:42:42 -06'00'

James G. Scott, Director Division of Program Operations

Enclosure

cc: Erika Sperbeck, Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Saralyn Ang-Olson, DHCS Bill Otterbeck, DHCS Aaron Toyama, DHCS Oksana Hill, DHCS Angeli Lee, DHCS Amanda Font, DHCS

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	
TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER       2. STATE         2       1       0       0       6       9       CA         3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	SECURITY ACT SECURITY ACT XIX XIX
TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE March 31, 2022
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 1917(b)(2) of the Social Security Act and at 42 CFR 433.36(h)-(i)	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a. FFY 10/1/21-9/30/22 \$ 0 b. FFY 10/1/22-9/30/23 \$ 0
7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Section 4.17, page 53c.1	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT ( <i>If Applicable</i> ) Section 4.17, page 53c.1
<ol> <li>SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT</li> <li>Forced or involuntary sterilization reparation payments made to survivors shall be exempt from estate recovery following the death of the qualified recipient.</li> </ol>	
10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)	
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O COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED	Please note: The Governor's Office does not wish to review the State Plan Amendment.
11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 15	5. RETURN TO
De	epartment of Health Care Services
	tn: Director's Office
Jacey Cooper	O. Box 997413, MS 0000 acramento, CA 95899-7413
13. TITLE State Medicaid Director	
14. DATE SUBMITTED December 30, 2021	
FOR CMS USE ONLY	
	. DATE APPROVED
December 30, 2021	February 8, 2022
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED	
18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL19	SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
March 31, 2022	
20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL     21	1. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
James G. Scott D	irector, Division of Program Operations
22. REMARKS	
Box 6: For item a, CMS made a pen and ink change to delete "10/1/21" and insert "3/31/22" since 3/31/22 is the SPA	

effective date. DHCS concurred with this revision via call and email dated 2/3/22.

## 53c.1

Revision: HCFA-PM-95-3 (MB) April, 2000

## STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

## State/Territory: California

(4) Japanese Reparation payments, or where the reparation payments described above have been converted to another form, amounts of resources equal to the amount of these reparation payments, received by the deceased Medi-Cal beneficiary or inherited by the deceased spouse of that beneficiary, or both, shall be exempt from estate recovery

(5) Forced or Involuntary Sterilization Reparation Payments, received by the deceased Medi-Cal beneficiary or inherited by any recipient through distribution or survival, shall be exempt from estate recovery.