STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: SOUTH DAKOTA

ASSET VERIFICATION SYSTEM

Citation

Section 1940(a) of the Act

1. The agency will provide for the verification of assets for purposes of determining or re-determining Medicaid eligibility for aged, blind, and disabled Medicaid applicants and recipients using an Asset Verification System (AVS) that meets the following minimum requirements.

   a. The request and response system must be electronic:

      (1) Verification inquiries must be sent electronically via the internet or similar means from the agency to the financial institution (FI).

      (2) The system cannot be based on mailing paper-based requests.

      (3) The system must have the capability to accept responses electronically.

   b. The system must be secure, based on a recognized industry standard of security (e.g., as defined by the U.S. Commerce Department’s National Institute of Standards and Technology, or NIST).

   c. The system must establish and maintain a database of FIs that participate in the agency's AVS.

   d. Verification requests also must be sent to FIs other than those identified by applicants and recipients, based on some logic such as geographic proximity to the applicant’s home address, or other reasonable factors whenever the agency determines that such requests are needed to determine or re-determine the individual’s eligibility.

   e. The verification requests must include a request for information on both open and closed accounts, going back up to 5 years as determined by the State.
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2. System Development

___ a) The agency will develop an AVS.

In 3 below, provide any additional information the agency wants to include.

___ b) The agency will hire a contractor to develop an AVS.

In 3 below, provide any additional information the agency wants to include.

___ c) The agency will be joining a consortium to develop an AVS.

In 3 below, identify the States participating in the consortium. Also provide any other information that agency wants to include pertaining to how the consortium will implement the AVS requirements.

___ d) The agency already has a system in place that meets the requirements for an acceptable AVS.

In 3 below, describe how the existing system meets the requirements in Section 1.

___ e) Other alternatives not included in a – d above.

In 3 below, describe the alternative approach and how it will meet the requirements in Section 1.

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3. Provide the AVS Implementation information requested for the implementation approach checked in Section 2, and any other information the agency may want to include.

South Dakota issued a Request for Proposal in June 2016. Public Consulting Group, Inc. was selected as the contractor to implement the AVS. Public Consulting Group, Inc. will implement a system that meets the requirements of Supplement 16 to Attachment 2.6-A, Page 1.