



South Dakota
Department of
Social Services

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES
700 GOVERNORS DRIVE
PIERRE, SD 57501-2291
PHONE: 605.773.3495
FAX: 605.773.5246
WEB: dss.sd.gov

December 16, 2024

RE: South Dakota Alternative Benefit Plan State Plan Amendment # SD-25-0001

The South Dakota Department of Social Services intends to make a change to the South Dakota Medicaid State Plan. The amendment proposes to bring the Alternative Benefit Plan for the expanded adult population into alignment with two Medicaid State Plan amendments currently pending approval to add coverage of doula services (SPA #24-0017) and targeted case management services (SPA #25-0003). The SPA amends pages 20 and 45 of ABP5: Benefits Description within the Alternative Benefit Plan. The Department intends to make this SPA effective January 1, 2025.

The department's estimate for the fiscal impact associated with this SPA is included in the existing projections for the Doula Services SPA #24-0017 as provided in the October 21, 2024 Public Notice which is \$50,984 in State funds and \$75,413 in Federal funds, totaling \$127,397 in Federal Fiscal Year 2025 (January 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025) and \$67,979 in State funds and \$101,884 in Federal funds, totaling \$167,863 in Federal Fiscal Year 2026 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026) and in the existing projections for the Targeted Case Management SPA #25-0003 as provided in the December 16, 2024 Public Notice which is \$62,934 in State funds and \$88,896 in Federal funds, totaling \$151,830 in Federal Fiscal Year 2025 (January 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025) and \$83,911 in State funds and \$118,529 in Federal funds, totaling \$202,440 in Federal Fiscal Year 2026 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026).

The SPAs are available to view on the department's website at <http://dss.sd.gov/medicaid/medicaidstateplan.aspx>. Copies of the proposed SPA pages are also available at the Department of Social Services, Division of Medical Services. Written requests for a copy of these changes, and corresponding comments, may be emailed to MedicaidSPA@state.sd.us or sent to:

DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
700 GOVERNORS DRIVE
PIERRE, SD 57501-2291

The public comment period will start December 16, 2024, and end January 15, 2025.

Sincerely,

Matthew Ballard

Matthew Ballard
Deputy Director
Division of Medical Services
South Dakota Department of Social Services

CC: Matt Althoff, Cabinet Secretary
Heather Petermann, Director

Medicaid State Plan Amendment Proposal

Transmittal Number: SD-25-0001

Effective Date: 01/1/2025

Brief Description: Proposes to implement coverage and reimbursement for pregnancy-related doula services including prenatal, labor and delivery, and postpartum supports. Services will be provided by qualified individuals with doula certifications from programs approved by South Dakota Medicaid. The SPA also provides for targeted case management for incarcerated youth in accordance with federal regulations.

Area of State Plan Affected: Alternative Benefit Plan

Page(s) of State Plan Affected: Pages 20 and 45 of ABP5: Benefits Description within the Alternative Benefit Plan.

Estimate of Fiscal Impact, if Any: FFY25: \$279,227
 FFY26: \$370,303

Reason for Amendment: Implements coverage and reimbursement for doula services and coverage of targeted case management services for the expanded adult group.

Anticipated Impact to Tribes: Doula services will enhance support services for pregnant individuals throughout the perinatal period, which may improve birth-related outcomes and targeted case management services will allow for improved healthcare coordination for incarcerated youth.

Comment Period: December 16, 2024 to January 15, 2025.

PUBLIC NOTICE

South Dakota Medicaid Program

Notice is hereby given that the South Dakota Department of Social Services intends to make a change to the South Dakota Medicaid State Plan. The amendment proposes to bring the Alternative Benefit Plan for the expanded adult population into alignment with two Medicaid State Plan amendments currently pending approval to add coverage of doula services (SPA #24-0017) and targeted case management services (SPA #25-0003). The SPA amends pages 20 and 45 of ABP5: Benefits Description within the Alternative Benefit Plan. The Department intends to make this SPA effective January 1, 2025.

The department's estimate for the fiscal impact associated with this SPA is included in the existing projections for the Doula Services SPA #24-0017 as provided in the October 21, 2024 Public Notice which is \$50,984 in State funds and \$75,413 in Federal funds, totaling \$127,397 in Federal Fiscal Year 2025 (January 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025) and \$67,979 in State funds and \$101,884 in Federal funds, totaling \$167,863 in Federal Fiscal Year 2026 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026) and in the existing projections for the Targeted Case Management SPA #25-0003 as provided in the December 16, 2024 Public Notice which is \$62,934 in State funds and \$88,896 in Federal funds, totaling \$151,830 in Federal Fiscal Year 2025 (January 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025) and \$83,911 in State funds and \$118,529 in Federal funds, totaling \$202,440 in Federal Fiscal Year 2026 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026).

The SPAs are available to view on the department's website at <http://dss.sd.gov/medicaid/medicaidstateplan.aspx>. Copies of the proposed SPA pages are also available at the Department of Social Services, Division of Medical Services. Written requests for a copy of these changes, and corresponding comments, may be emailed to MedicaidSPA@state.sd.us or sent to:

DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
700 GOVERNORS DRIVE
PIERRE, SD 57501-2291

The public comment period will start December 16, 2024, and end January 15, 2025.



Alternative Benefit Plan

Scope Limit:

None

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

See Attachment 3.1-A, 13.c.3, Vaccines and Vaccine Administration

Benefit Provided:

Doula Services

Source:

State Plan 1905(a)

Remove

Authorization:

None

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

See other information box below.

Duration Limit:

See other information box below.

Scope Limit:

See other information box below.

Other information regarding this benefit, including the specific name of the source plan if it is not the base benchmark plan:

Effective January 1, 2025
See Attachment 3.1-A, 13.c.4, Doula services

Add



Alternative Benefit Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

None

Scope Limit:

None

Other:

See Attachment 3.1-A, 13.c.3, Vaccines and Vaccine Administration

Other 1937 Benefit Provided:

Targeted Case Management Services

Source:

Section 1937 Coverage Option Benchmark Benefit Package

Remove

Authorization:

Other

Provider Qualifications:

Medicaid State Plan

Amount Limit:

None

Duration Limit:

See other information box below.

Scope Limit:

See other information box below.

Other:

Effective January 1, 2025.
See Attachment 3.1-A, 19.a., Targeted Case Management Services

Add