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Dear Director Miller:

Enclosed please find Nevada's State Plan Amendment (SPA) #25-0030. This SPA amends Nevada's State Plan effective January 1, 2026. The specific changes being made are as follows:

The proposed changes are in attachment 3.1-F, Pages 1-22. These changes implement a statewide contract for Nevada Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs). Statewide Managed Care will expand geographically to include populations in Nevada's rural regions. Under this expansion, five (5) MCOs will operate, and the provider network, transportation services, and covered healthcare services will be available in the expanded service areas.

If you have any policy questions regarding this SPA, please contact Casey Angres, Agency Manager at (775) 684-3667 or cangres@nvha.nv.gov.

Sincerely,

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Stacie Weeks, Director

Nevada Health Authority

Enclosures

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1932(a)(1)(A)	A Section 1932(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act	

1932(a)(1)(A)

The State of Nevada enrolls Medicaid beneficiaries on a mandatory basis into managed care entities (managed care organization [MCOs], primary care case managers [PCCMs], and/or PCCM entities) in the absence of section 1115 or section 1915(b) waiver authority. This authority is granted under section 1932(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (the Act). Under this authority, a state can amend its Medicaid state plan to require certain categories of Medicaid beneficiaries to enroll in managed care entities without being out of compliance with provisions of section 1902 of the Act on state wideness (42 CFR 431.50), freedom of choice (42 CFR 431.51) or comparability (42 CFR 440.230).

This authority may *not* be used to mandate enrollment in Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs), Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plans (PAHPs), nor can it be used to mandate the enrollment of Medicaid beneficiaries described in 42 CFR 438.50(d).

Where the state's assurance is requested in this document for compliance with a particular requirement of 42 CFR 438 et seq., the state shall place a check mark to affirm that it will be in compliance no later than the applicable compliance date. All applicable assurances should be checked, even when the compliance date is in the future. Please see Appendix A of this document for compliance dates for various sections of 42 CFR 438.

1932(a)(1)(B)(i) 1932(a)(1)(B)(ii) 42 CFR 438.2 42 CFR 438.6 42 CFR 438.50(b)(1)-(2)

B.Managed Care Delivery System.

The State will contract with the entity(ies) below and reimburse them as noted under each entity type.

- \bowtie MCO
 - **⊠**Capitation
 - ⊠The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.6, regarding special contract provisions related to payment, will be met.

The State of Nevada Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP aka-Nevada Medicaid), Division of Nevada Medicaid oversees the administration of all Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) in the state. Nevada Medicaid operates a fee-for-service and a managed care reimbursement and service delivery system with which to provide covered medically necessary services to its Medicaid eligible population. Contracted MCOs are currently the primary managed care entities providing Medicaid managed care in Nevada; at this time, Nevada contracts with zero PIHPs and one PAHP under a 1915(b) waiver

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2.	□ PC	CM (individual practitioners)
	a.	☐ Case management fee
	b.	☐ Other (please explain below)
3.		CM entity ☐ Case management fee

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	 b. □ Shared savings, incentive payments, and/or financial rewards (see 42 CFR 438.310(c)(2)) c. □ Other (please explain below)
	If PCCM entity is selected, please indicate which of the following function(s) the entity will provide (as in 42 CFR 438.2), in addition to PCCM services:
	☐ Provision of intensive telephonic case management
	☐ Provision of face-to-face case management
	☐ Operation of a nurse triage advice line
	 □ Development of enrollee care plans. □ Execution of contracts with fee-for-service (FFS) providers in the FFS program
	 Oversight responsibilities for the activities of FFS providers in the FFS program
	☐ Provision of payments to FFS providers on behalf of the State.
	☐ Provision of enrollee outreach and education activities.
	☐ Operation of a customer service call center.
	☐ Review of provider claims, utilization and/or practice patterns to conduct provider profiling and/or practice improvement.
	☐ Implementation of quality improvement activities including administering enrollee satisfaction surveys or collecting data necessary for performance measurement of providers.
	☐ Coordination with behavioral health systems/providers.
	☐ Coordination with long-term services and supports systems/providers.
	☐ Other (please describe):

42 CFR 438.50(b)(4) C.Public Process.

Describe the public process including tribal consultation, if applicable, utilized for both the design of the managed care program and its initial implementation. In addition, describe what methods the state will use to ensure ongoing public involvement once the state plan managed care program has been implemented. (Example: public meeting, advisory groups.)

Pursuant to 42 CFR 438.50(b)(4), the State shall provide public notice to promote public involvement in the design and initial implementation of the program as well as during contract procurement. The public notice shall be a notice of publication published via our public notice section on our website:

http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Public/Home/. The Medical Care Advisory Committee (MCAC) advises the DHCFP-Nevada Medicaid regarding provisions of services for the health and medical care of Medicaid beneficiaries.

In addition, Nevada Medicaid the DHCFP will consult with Tribes and Indian Health Programs on Medicaid State Plan Amendments (SPAs), waiver requests, waiver renewals, demonstration project proposals and/or on matters that relate to

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	Med	dicaid and Nevada Check Up programs, including Managed Care.
	how addı	the program will include long term services and supports (LTSS), please indicate of the views of stakeholders have been, and will continue to be, solicited and ressed during the design, implementation, and oversight of the program, uding plans for a member advisory committee (42 CFR 438.70 and 438.110)
	cont triba MC at le	en changes are made to the LTSS services provided under the Managed Care tract, the same public process as outlined above will be followed, including al consultation and MCAC review. Pursuant to 42 CFR 438.110, contracted Os must also establish and maintain a member advisory committee that includes east a reasonable representative sample of the LTSS populations, or other viduals representing those enrollees, covered under the contract.
	If ap	Assurances and Compliance with the Statute and Regulations. Opplicable to the state plan, place a check mark to affirm that compliance with the owing statutes and regulations will be met.
1932(a)(1)(A)(i)(I) 1903(m)	1.	☐ The state assures that all of the applicable requirements of section 1903(m) of the Act, for MCOs and MCO contracts will be met.
42 CFR 438.50(c)(1)		
1932(a)(1)(A)(i)(I) 1905(t)	2.	☐ The state assures that all the applicable requirements of section 1905(t) of the Act for PCCMs and PCCM contracts (including for PCCM entities) will be met.
42 CFR 438.50(c)(2) 1902(a)(23)(A)		
1932(a)(1)(A) 42 CFR 438.50(c)(3)	3.	☑ The state assures that all the applicable requirements of section 1932 (including subpart (a)(1)(A)) of the Act, for the state's option to limit freedom of choice by requiring beneficiaries to receive their benefits through managed care entities will be met.
1932(a)(1)(A) 42 CFR 431.51 1905(a)(4)(C) 42 CFR 438.10(g)(2)(vii)	4.	⊠ The state assures that all the applicable requirements of 42 CFR 431.51 regarding freedom of choice for family planning services and supplies as defined in section 1905(a)(4)(C) will be met.
1932(a)(1)(A)	5.	\boxtimes The state assures that it appropriately identifies individuals in the mandatory exempt groups identified in 1932(a)(1)(A)(i).
1932(a)(1)(A) 42 CFR 438 1903(m)	6.	☑ The state assures that all applicable managed care requirements of 42 CFR Part 438 for MCOs, PCCMs, and PCCM entities will be met.
1932(a)(1)(A)	7.	☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.4, 438.5,

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42 CFR 438.4 42 CFR 438.5 42 CFR 438.7 42 CFR 438.8 42 CFR 438.74 42 CFR 438.50(c)(6)			438.7, 438.8, and 438.74 for payments under any risk contracts will be met.
1932(a)(1)(A) 42 CFR 447.362 42 CFR 438.50(c)(6)		8.	☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 447.362 for payments under any non-risk contracts will be met.
45 CFR 75.326		9.	☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 45 CFR 75.326 for procurement of contracts will be met.
42 CFR 438.66			Assurances regarding state monitoring requirements: The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.66(a), (b), and (c), regarding a monitoring system and using data to improve the performance of its managed care program, will be met. The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.66(d), regarding readiness assessment, will be met. The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.66(e), regarding reporting to CMS about the managed care program, will be met.
1932(a)(1)(A) 1932(a)(2)	E.	<u>Pop</u> 1.	Included Populations. Please check which eligibility groups are included, if they are enrolled on a Mandatory (M) or Voluntary (V) basis (as defined in 42 CFR 438.54(b)) or Excluded (E), and the geographic scope of enrollment.

1. Included Populations. Please check which eligibility groups are included, if they are enrolled on a Mandatory (M) or Voluntary (V) basis (as defined in 42 CFR 438.54(b)) or Excluded (E), and the geographic scope of enrollment. Under the Geographic Area column, please indicate whether the nature of the population's enrollment is on a statewide basis, or if on less than a statewide basis, please list the applicable counties/regions. Also, if type of enrollment varies by geographic area (for example, mandatory in some areas and voluntary in other areas), please note specifics in the Geographic Area column. Under the Notes column, please note any additional relevant details about the population or enrollment.

A. Mandatory Eligibility Groups (Eligibility Groups to which a state must provide Medicaid coverage)

1. Family/Adult

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	§435.110	X			Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark Counties	
2. Pregnant Women	§435.116	X			Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark	

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3.	Children Under Age 19 (Inclusive of Deemed Newborns under §435.117)	§435.118	X	Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark
4.	Former Foster Care Youth (up to age 26)	§435.150	X	Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark
5.	Adult Group (Non-pregnant individuals age 19-64 not eligible for Medicare with income no more than 133% FPL)	§435.119	X	Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark Counties
6.	Transitional Medical Assistance (Includes adults and children, if not eligible under §435.116, §435.118, or §435.119)	1902(a)(52), 1902(e)(1), 1925, and 1931(c)(2) of SSA	X	Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark Counties
7.	Extended Medicaid Due to Spousal Support Collections	§435.115	X	Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark

2. Aged/Blind/Disabled Individuals

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	Е	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
8. Individuals Receiving SSI age 19 and over only (See E.2. below regarding age <19)	§435.120			X	Statewide	
9. Aged and Disabled Individuals in 209(b) States	§435.121			X	Statewide	
10. Individuals Who Would be Eligible for SSI/SSP but for OASDI COLA Increase since April 1977	§435.135			X	Statewide	
11. Disabled Widows and Widowers Ineligible for SSI due to an increase of OASDI	§435.137			X	Statewide	
12. Disabled Widows and Widowers Ineligible for SSI due to Early Receipt of Social Security	§435.138			X	Statewide	
13. Working Disabled under 1619(b)	1619(b), 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(II), and 1905(q) of SSA			X	Statewide	
14. Disabled Adult Children	1634(c) of SSA			X	Statewide	

B. Optional Eligibility Groups 1. Family/Adult

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Eligibility Group		Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
1.	Optional Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	§435.220			X	Statewide	
2.	Optional Targeted Low-Income Children	§435.229			X	Statewide	
3.	Independent Foster Care Adolescents Under Age 21	§435.226			X	Statewide	

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4.	Individuals Under Age 65 with Income	§435.218	X	Statewide	
5.	Over 133% Optional Reasonable Classifications of Children Under Age 21	§435.222	X	Statewide	
6.	Individuals Electing COBRA Continuation Coverage	1902(a)(10)(F) of SSA	X	Statewide	

2. Aged/Blind/Disabled Individuals

Eligibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	Е	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
7. Aged, Blind or Disabled Individuals Eligible for but Not Receiving Cash	§435.210 and §435.230			X	Statewide	
Individuals eligible for Cash except for Institutionalized Status	§435.211			X	Statewide	
9. Individuals Receiving Home and Community-Based Waiver Services Under Institutional Rules	§435.217			X	Statewide	
10. Optional State Supplement Recipients - 1634 and SSI Criteria States – with 1616 Agreements	§435.232			X	Statewide	
11. Optional State Supplemental Recipients- 209(b) States and SSI criteria States without 1616 Agreements	§435.234			X	Statewide	
12. Institutionalized Individuals Eligible under a Special Income Level	§435.236			X	Statewide	
13. Individuals Participating in a PACE Program under Institutional Rules	1934 of the SSA			X	Statewide	

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14. Individuals Receiving Hospice Care	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)	v	v	Statewide	Medicaid
17. Individuals Receiving Hospice Care	(VII) and 1905(o)	A			beneficiaries who
	of the SSA		Me		are receiving
	of the SSA	ada	dica		hospice services
		Che	id		are not eligible for
		ck			enrollment with the
		Up			MCO. If a
					Medicaid
					beneficiary is made
					eligible for hospice
					services after MCO
					enrollment, the
					beneficiary will be
					disenrolled from
					the MCO and the
					hospice services
					will be reimbursed
					through FFS.
					Nevada Check Up
					beneficiaries who
					are receiving
					hospice services
					will not be
					disenrolled from
					managed care;
					however, payment
					for Nevada Check
					Up hospice
					services will be reimbursed
					through FFS.
					unrough FFS.
15. Poverty Level Aged or Disabled	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)		X	Statewide	
	(X) and				
	1902(m)(1) of the				
	SSA				
16. Work Incentive Group	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)		X	Statewide	
15 811 1 2 1 2	(XIII) of the SSA				
17. Ticket to Work Basic Group	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)		X	Statewide	
	(XV) of the SSA				
18. Ticket to Work Medically Improved	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)		X	Statewide	
Group	(XVI) of the SSA				
19. Family Opportunity Act Children with	1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)		X	Statewide	
Disabilities	(XIX) of the SSA				
20. Individuals Eligible for State Plan Home	§435.219		X	Statewide	
and Community-Based Services					

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3. Partial Benefits

	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
21. Family Planning Services	§435.214			X	Statewide	
22. Individuals with Tuberculosis	§435.215			X	Statewide	
23. Individuals Needing Treatment for Breast or Cervical Cancer (under age 65)	§435.213			X	Statewide	

C. Medically Needy

Per attachment 2.2-A, page 24, the Nevada State Plan does not include the medically needy. This table is not applicable.

Eli	gibility Group	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	M	V	E	Geographic Area (include specifics if M/V/E varies by area)	Notes
1.	Medically Needy Pregnant Women	§435.301(b)(1)(i) and (iv)					
2.	Medically Needy Children under Age 18	§435.301(b)(1)(ii)					
3.	Medically Needy Children Age 18 through 20	§435.308					
4.	Medically Needy Parents and Other Caretaker Relatives	§435.310					
5.	Medically Needy Aged	§435.320					
6.	Medically Needy Blind	§435.322					
7.	Medically Needy Disabled	§435.324					
8.	Medically Needy Aged, Blind and Disabled in 209(b) States	§435.330					

2. **Voluntary Only or Excluded Populations.** Under this managed care authority, some populations cannot be subject to mandatory enrollment in an MCO, PCCM, or PCCM entity (per 42 CFR 438.50(d)). Some such populations are Eligibility Groups separate from those listed above in E.1., while others (such as American Indians/Alaskan Natives) can be part of multiple Eligibility Groups identified in E.1. above.

Please indicate if any of the following populations are excluded from the program or have only voluntary enrollment (even if they are part of an eligibility group listed above in E.1. as having mandatory enrollment):

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Population	Citation (Regulation [42 CFR] or SSA)	V	E	Geographic Area	Notes
Medicare Savings Program – Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries, Qualified Disabled Working Individuals, Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries, and/or Qualifying Individuals	1902(a)(10)(E), 1905(p), 1905(s) of the SSA		X	Statewide	

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"Dual Eligibles" not described under Medicare Savings Program - Medicaid beneficiaries enrolled in an eligibility group other than one of the Medicare Savings Program groups who are also eligible for Medicare			X	Statewide	
American Indian/Alaskan Native— Medicaid beneficiaries who are American Indians or Alaskan Natives and members of federally recognized tribes	§438.14	X		Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark Counties	
Children Receiving SSI who are Under Age 19 - Children under 19 years of age who are eligible for SSI under title XVI	§435.120		X	Statewide	
Qualified Disabled Children Under Age 19 - Certain children under 19 living at home, who are disabled and would be eligible if they were living in a medical institution.	\$435.225 1902(e)(3) of the SSA		X	Statewide	
Title IV-E Children - Children receiving foster care, adoption assistance, or kinship guardianship assistance under title IV-E *	§435.145		X	Statewide	
Non-Title IV-E Adoption Assistance Under Age 21*	§435.227		X	Statewide	
Children with Special Health Care Needs - Receiving services through a family-centered, community-based, coordinated care system that receives grant funds under section 501(a)(1)(D) of Title V, and is defined by the State in terms of either program participation or special health care needs.		X		Statewide Urban Washoe and Clark Counties	

^{* =} Note – Individuals in these two Eligibility Groups who are age 19 and 20 can have mandatory enrollment in managed care, while those under age 19 cannot have mandatory enrollment. Use the Notes column to indicate if you plan to mandatorily enroll 19 and 20 year olds in these Eligibility Groups.

3. (Optional) Other Exceptions. The following populations (which can be part of various Eligibility Groups) can be subject to mandatory enrollment in managed care, but states may elect to make exceptions for these or other individuals.

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1. Please indicate if any of the following populations are excluded from the program, or have only voluntary enrollment (even if they are part of an eligibility group listed above in E.1. as having mandatory enrollment):

Population	V	E	Notes
Other InsuranceMedicaid beneficiaries who			
have other health insurance			
Reside in Nursing Facility or ICF/IID Medicaid beneficiaries who reside in Nursing Facilities (NF) or Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID).		X	Nursing Facility: The MCO is required to cover the first 180 days of anursing facility admission. The MCO shall notify the DHCFP Nevada Medicaid of any nursing facility stay admission expected to exceed 180 days. The beneficiary will be disenrolled from the MCO and the stay will be covered by FFS commencing on the 181st day of the facility stay. ICF/ID: Residents of ICF/ID facilities are not eligible for enrollment with the MCO. If a beneficiary is admitted to an ICF/ID after MCO enrollment, the beneficiary will be disenrolled from the MCO and the admission, bed day rate, and ancillary services will be reimbursed through FFS.
Enrolled in Another Managed Care Program- -Medicaid beneficiaries who are enrolled in another Medicaid managed care program			
Eligibility Less Than 3 MonthsMedicaid beneficiaries who would have less than three months of Medicaid eligibility remaining upon enrollment into the program			
Participate in HCBS WaiverMedicaid beneficiaries who participate in a Home and Community Based Waiver (HCBS, also referred to as a 1915(c) waiver).		X	
Retroactive Eligibility –Medicaid beneficiaries for the period of retroactive eligibility.		X	
Other (Please define): Title XIX Medicaid children under 18 defined as the Severely Emotionally Disturbed (SED)	X		Statewide Urban Washoe and Urban Clark Counties The MCO is required to notify Nevada Medicaid the DHCFP if a Title XIX Medicaid beneficiary elects to disenroll from the MCO following the determination of SED/SMI. However, in the event the Medicaid beneficiary, who has received such a determination, chooses to remain enrolled with the MCO, the MCO will be responsible for providing all patient care.

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Other (Please define): Swing bed stays in acute hospitals over 45 days	X	The MCO is required to cover the first 45 days of a swing bed. The MCO shall notify Nevada Medicaid of any swing bed stay expected to exceed 45 days. The beneficiary will be disenrolled from the MCO and the stay will be covered by FFS commencing on the 46 th day of the facility stay.
Other (Please define): Swing bed stays in acute hospitals over 45 days	X	The MCO is required to cover the first 45 days of a swing- bed. The MCO shall notify the DHCFP of any swing bed- stay expected to exceed 45 days. The beneficiary will be- disenrolled from the MCO and the stay will be covered by FFS commencing on the 46 th day of the facility stay.
Other (Please define):		

1932(a)(4) 42 CFR 438.54

F. Enrollment Process.

Based on whether mandatory and/or voluntary enrollment are applicable to your program (see E. Populations and Geographic Area and definitions in 42 CFR 438.54(b)), please complete the below:

- 1. For **voluntary** enrollment: (see 42 CFR 438.54(c))
 - a. Please describe how the state fulfills its obligations to provide information as specified in 42 CFR 438.10(c)(4), 42 CFR 438.10(e) and 42 CFR 438.54(c)(3).

State with voluntary enrollment must have an enrollment choice period or passive enrollment. Please indicate which will apply to the managed care program: Nevada uses a passive enrollment process for voluntary managed care populations.

Nevada uses a passive enrollment process for voluntary managed care populations.

- b. ☐ If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state provides an enrollment choice period, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(c)(1)(i) and 42 CFR 438.54(c)(2)(i), during which individuals who are subject to voluntary enrollment may make an active choice to enroll in the managed care program, or will otherwise continue to receive covered services through the fee-for-service delivery system.
 - i. Please indicate the length of the enrollment choice period:

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c.

If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state uses a **passive**enrollment process, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(c)(1)(ii) and

438.54(c)(2)(ii), for individuals who are subject to voluntary enrollment.

- i. If so, please describe the algorithm used for passive enrollment and how the algorithm and the state's provision of information meets all of the requirements of 42 CFR 438.54(c)(4),(5),(6),(7), and (8).
- i. Voluntary populations are assigned an MCO using the same algorithm and notification process described in question 2 below for mandatory enrollment.
- ii. Please indicate how long the enrollee will have to disenroll from the plan and return to the fee-for-service delivery system:
- ii. Nevada's voluntary managed care populations can request disenrollment from their plan to return to fee-for-service at any time during their managed care enrollment. Disenrollment approval is subject to voluntary population disenrollment requirements as outlined in policy.
- 2. For **mandatory** enrollment: (see 42 CFR 438.54(d))
 - a. Please describe how the state fulfills its obligations to provide information as specified in 42 CFR 438.10(c)(4), 42 CFR 438.10(e) and 42 CFR 438.54(d)(3).

At the time of application, the applicant is provided with each MCO plan's telephone number and website. The MCOs have complete lists of active providers on their websites. The applicants also have access to a comparison chart of the MCOs which highlights each plan's added benefits.

A first-time beneficiary, that is one who has never been enrolled in an MCO and who is not joining an established case, will be asked to complete their selection of an MCO at the time of Medicaid application. Their enrollment will go into effect immediately upon approval of their Medicaid eligibility.

Absent a choice by the applicant, the State will complete a default enrollment process, and they will be assigned to an MCO based upon an algorithm developed by the State to distribute enrollees among the MCOs.

The beneficiary has a 90-day period in which they are entitled to change MCOs. Beneficiaries may also change their MCO once every 12 months during open enrollment.

For a beneficiary, new to Medicaid or returning, who is joining an open case where another family member is currently enrolled in an MCO; they

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will automatically be assigned to the same MCO as the rest of the family and will not have a 90-day right to change period. Their enrollment will go into effect immediately upon approval of their Medicaid eligibility. These new case members, as well as the rest of the family, remain locked in until the next open enrollment period.

For a beneficiary, new to Medicaid or returning, who is joining an opencase where another family member is currently enrolled in an MCO; they will automatically be assigned to the same MCO as the rest of the familyand will not have a 90 day right to change period. Their enrollment will gointo effect immediately upon approval of their Medicaid eligibility. These new case members, as well as the rest of the family, remain locked inuntil the next open enrollment period.

A returning Medicaid beneficiary who had a lapse in managed care enrollment for two months or less due to a loss in Medicaid eligibility will automatically be assigned to their former MCO. For those returning in the first month, their enrollment will go into effect the beginning of that month with no lapse in enrollment. For those returning in the second month, their enrollment will go into effect immediately upon approval of their Medicaid eligibility. They will not have a 90 day right to change period and will be considered locked-in until the next open enrollment period.

A returning Medicaid beneficiary, who had a lapse in managed care enrollment for two months or less for reasons other than a loss in Medicaid eligibility OR for more than two months no matter the reason, will have enrollment rules applied as follows. Their enrollment will go into effect immediately upon approval of their Medicaid eligibility.

If the beneficiary is returning to an open case where another family member is currently enrolled in an MCO, they will automatically be assigned to the same MCO as the rest of the family. and t They will not have a 90 day right to change period and will be considered locked -in until the next open enrollment period.

If there are no other family members on the case currently enrolled in an MCO, and the beneficiary made a new MCO choice on their application, they will be enrolled into their MCO of choice and may disenroll without cause within the first 90 days of enrollment.

If the beneficiary did not make a new choice on their application, they will be assigned to their former MCO and may disenroll without cause within the first 90 days of enrollment.

Regardless of which enrollment or default assignment process is used, the head of household will be notified of all choices that need to be made, the timeframe for making these choices, and the consequence of not making a choice.

For the MCOs, the total maximum lock-in period is 12 months inclusive of

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the initial 90 days up front to disenroll without cause. The beneficiaries will be notified of their option to change MCOs at least 60 days prior to the end of the lock-in period. Beneficiaries will be allowed to change MCOs during the annual open enrollment period.

- b. If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state provides an **enrollment choice period**, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(d)(2)(i), duringwhich individuals who are subject to mandatory enrollment may make an active choice to select a managed care plan or will otherwise be enrolled in a plan selected by the State's default enrollment process.
 - i. Please indicate the length of the enrollment choice period:

The beneficiary has a 90-day period in which they are entitled to change MCOs. Beneficiaries may also change their MCO once every 12 months during open enrollment. The Beneficiary has only one opportunity to change their MCO before they are enrolled with an MCO.

- c.

 If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state uses a **default** enrollment process, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(d)(5), for individuals who are subject to mandatory enrollment.
 - i. If so, please describe the algorithm used for default enrollment and how it meets all of the requirements of 42 CFR 438.54(d)(4), (5), (7), and (8).

To reduce large disparities and adverse risk between MCOs, the State uses a default assignment algorithm for auto-assignment of first-time beneficiaries. The algorithm will give weighted preference to any new MCO, as well as MCOs with significantly lower enrollments. This is based on a formula developed by the State. The State may also adjust the auto-assignment algorithm in consideration of the MCO's clinical performance measure results or other measurements. The algorithm is as follows:

*Auto Assignment Algorithm						
Number of Plans in Geographic Service Area	Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to Largest Plan	Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to 2nd Largest Plan	Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to 3rd Largest Plan	Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to 4 th Largest Plan	Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to 5 th Largest Plan	
2 plans	34%	66%				
3 plans	17%	33%	50%			

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4 plans	10%	10%	30%	50%	
5 plans	8%	8%	14%	20%	50%

*Auto Assignment Algorithm					
Number of Plans in Geographic Service Area Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to Largest Plan		Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to 2nd Largest Plan	Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to 3rd Largest Plan	Percentage of Beneficiaries Assigned to 4 th Largest Plan	
2 plans	34%	66%			
3 plans	17%	33%	50%		
4 plans	10%	10%	30%	50%	

^{*} The function of the algorithm is to ultimately achieve no more than a 10% differential in enrollment between all MCO contractors. Once the differential is achieved, use of this algorithm will be discontinued, and head of households will be auto assigned on rotating basis.

Once the State has sufficient quality data from all MCO's in any geographic service area reflecting service delivery to members, the State will use an auto-assignment algorithm based on the MCO's performance on selected quality measures with preference given to high performing MCO's. The State will provide written communication to the MCO's on an annual basis. The quality-based algorithm is as follows:

Number of Contractors	% Assigned to Largest	% Assigned to Second Largest	% Assigned to Third Largest	% Assigned to Fourth Largest	% Assigned to Fifth Largest
Two	34%	66%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Three	17%	33%	50%	N/A	N/A
Four	10%	10%	30%	50%	N/A
Five	8%	8%	14%	20%	50%

Effective January 1, 2024, the state will implement a quality based auto assignment algorithm. Each MCO will receive an ordinal ranking of 1 through 5 based on its score for each of five selected quality measures for a specified measurement year.

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The state will notify the MCOs of the selected measures and measurement period annually. The MCO with the highest score will be assigned a ranking of 1. If two MCOs have the same score on a given measure, they shall receive the same rank, and the next lower rank shall be skipped. Each MCO's ordinal rankings for the five measures will be added to determine which percentage an MCO will receive for auto-assignment algorithm. The MCO with the lowest total score for ordinal rankings-(indicating the best performer) will receive the highest auto assignment percentage. The quality based algorithm is asfollows:

Quality Based Auto Assignment Algorithm	
MCO with lowest total score for	35%
ordinal ranking	
MCO with second lowest total	30%
score for ordinal ranking	
MCO with the third lowest total	20%
score for ordinal ranking	
MCO with the highest total	15%
score for ordinal ranking	

- ☐ If applicable, please check here to indicate that the state uses a **passive** enrollment process, as described in 42 CFR 438.54(d)(2), for individuals who are subject to mandatory enrollment.
 - If so, please describe the algorithm used for passive enrollment and how it meets all of the requirements of 42 CFR 438.54(d)(4), (6), (7), and (8).

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3. State assurances on the enrollment process.

Place a check mark to affirm the state has met all of the applicable requirements of choice, enrollment, and re-enrollment.

☑ The state assures that, per the choice requirements in 42 CFR 438.52:

42 CFR 438.56(g)

- i. Medicaid beneficiaries with mandatory enrollment in an MCO will have a choice of at least two MCOs unless the area is considered rural as defined in 42 CFR 438.52(b)(3);
- ii. Medicaid beneficiaries with mandatory enrollment in a primary care case management system will have a choice of at least two primary care case managers employed by or contracted with the State;
- Medicaid beneficiaries with mandatory enrollment in a PCCM entity may be limited to a single PCCM entity iii. and will have a choice of at least two PCCMs employed by or contracted with the PCCM entity.
- ☐ The state plan program applies the rural exception to choose requirements of 42 CFR 438.52(a) for MCOs in accordance with 42 CFR 438.52(b). Please list the impacted rural counties:

☑This provision is not applicable to this 1932 State Plan Amendment.

c. \(\times \) The state applies the automatic reenrollment provision in accordance with 42 CFR 438.56(g) if the recipient is disenrolled solely because he or she loses Medicaid eligibility for a period of 2 months

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	42 CFR 438.71		

d.

The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.71 regarding developing and implementing a beneficiary support system that provides support to beneficiaries both prior to and after MCO, PCCM, or PCCM entity enrollment will be met.

1932(a)(4) 42 CFR 438.56

- G. Disenrollment.
 - 1. The state will \boxtimes / will not \square limit disenrollment for managed care.
 - 2. The disenrollment limitation will apply for 12 months (up to 12 months).
 - 3. ⊠The state assures that beneficiary requests for disenrollment (with and without cause) will be permitted in accordance with 42 CFR 438.56.
 - 4. Describe the state's process for notifying the Medicaid beneficiaries of their right to disenroll without cause during the 90 days following the date of their initial enrollment into the MCO, PCCM, or PCCM entity. (Examples: state generated correspondence, enrollment packets, etc.)
 - A beneficiary in their 90 day right to change period is notified by a Welcome to Mmanaged Care letter mailed by the State's fiscal agent. The letter provides the beneficiary with the instructions and timeframe for requesting a switch in their MCO plan.
 - 5. Describe any additional circumstances of "cause" for disenrollment (if any).

A member may request a for "cause" disenrollment at any time. Disenrollments are determined by Nevada Medicaid on a case-by-case basis. Enrollment in a different MCO will be effective on the first of the second administrative month following the month in which the member requests the disenrollment. Disenrollments may not occur mid-month except where expressly required by federal or Nevada regulations.

For cause disenrollments can be determined by the DHCFP on acase by case basis where one MCO is better able to provide for unusual needs of a specific family member, while at the same time the other MCO is better able to provide for unusual needs of a different family member.

H. <u>Information Requirements for Beneficiaries.</u>

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1932(a)(5)(c) ⊠The state assures that its state plan program is in compliance with 42 CFR 42 CFR 438.50 438.10 for information requirements specific to MCOs, PCCMs, and PCCM entity 42 CFR 438.10 programs operated under section 1932(a)(1)(A)(i) state plan amendments.

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I. List all benefits for which the MCO

Complete the chart below to indicate every State Plan-Approved service that will be delivered by the MCO, and where each of those services is described in the state's Medicaid State Plan. For "other practitioner services", list each provider type separately. For rehabilitative services, habilitative services, EPSDT services and 1915(i), (j) and (k) services list each program separately by its own list of services. Add additional rows as necessary.

In the first column of the chart below, enter the name of each State Plan-Approved service delivered by the MCO. In the second – fourth column of the chart, enter a

State Plan citation providing the Attachment number, Page number, and Item number, respectively.

State Plan-Approved Service Delivered by the MCO	Med	Medicaid State Plan Citation		
	Attachment #	Page #	Item #	
Ex. Physical Therapy	3.1-A	4	11.a	
Inpatient Hospital Services	3.1-A	1	1	
Outpatient Hospital Services	3.1-A	1	2.a	
Rural Health Clinic Services	3.1-A	1	2.b	
FQHC Services	3.1-A	1	2.c	
Laboratory and X-ray Services	3.1-A	1	3	
Nursing Facility Services for individuals 21 years of age or older.	3.1-A	2	4.a	
Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) Services	3.1-A	2	4.b	
Family Planning Services and supplies for individuals of child-bearing age.	3.1-A	2	4.c	
Physicians' Services	3.1-A	2	5.a	
Medical and surgical services furnished by a dentist	3.1-A	2	5.b	
Podiatrists' Services	3.1-A	2	6.a	
Optometrists' Services	3.1-A	3	6.b	
Chiropractors' Services	3.1-A	3	6.c	
Other Practitioners' Services	3.1-A	3	6.d	
Home Health Services	3.1-A	3	7	

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Private Duty Nursing Services	3.1-A	3	8
Clinic Services	3.1-A	4	9
Dental Services	3.1-A	4	10
Physical Therapy and Related Services	3.1-A	4	11.a
Occupational Therapy	3.1-A	4	11.b
Services for individuals with speech, hearing, and	3.1-A	4	11.c
language disorders	J.1 11	'	11.0
Prescribed Drugs	3.1-A	5	12
Dentures	3.1-A	5	12.b
Prosthetic devices		5	12.c
Eyeglasses		5	12.d
Diagnostic Screening Services	3.1-A	5	13.a
Screening Services	3.1-A	6	13.b
Preventive Services	3.1-A	6	13.c
Rehabilitative Services	3.1-A	6	13.d
Services for individuals aged 65 or older in	3.1-A	6	14a
Inpatient hospital services	3.1-A	6	14
Nursing facility services	3.1-A	6	14.b
Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT)	3.1-A	6a	N/A
Inpatient Ppsychiatric facility sServices for	3.1-A	7	16
individuals under 22 years of age.			
Nurse-Midwife Services	3.1-A	7	17
Hospice Care	3.1 A	7	18
Case Management Services	3.1-A	8	19.a
Extended services to pregnant women	3.1-A	8	20
Respiratory Care Services	3.1-A	8a	22
Certified Pediatric or Family Nurse Practioners'	3.1-A	8a	23
Practitioners' Services	-	34	23
Transportation	3.1-A	9	24
Nursing Facility services for patients under 21	2.1.4	0	0.4.1
years of age.	3.1-A	9	24. d c
Emergency Hospital Services	3.1-A	9	24 .d d
Personal Care Services	3.1-A	10	26
Freestanding Birth Center Services	3.1-A	11	28
Certified Behavioral Health Center	3.1-A	6c	N/A
Doula Services	3.1-A	63a Cont'd	6.d
Community Health Worker (CHW) Services	3.1-A	6a 3a Cont'd	6.d
Community Health Worker (CHW) Services	3.1-A	6a 3a Cont'd	6.d

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Registered Pharmacist	3.1 A	3a Cont'd	6.d
Residential Treatment Center	3.1 A	7	16

The MCOs are responsible for providing their members with all Medicaid State Plan benefits, except the following services:

All services provided at Indian Health Service Facilities and Tribal Clinics:

All eligible American Indians / Alaska Natives Native Americans may access and receive covered medically necessary services at Indian Health Service (IHS) facilities and Tribal Clinics. If a Native American American Indian / Alaska-voluntarily

Native voluntarily enrolls with an MCO and seeks covered services from IHS, the MCO should request and receive medical records regarding those covered services/treatments provided by IHS. The MCO is required to coordinate all services with IHS.

Non-eEmergency Tŧransportation (NEMT)

The DHCFP or its designee will authorize and arrange for all medically necessary non-emergency transportation. The MCO must verify medical appointments upon request by the DHCFP or its designee.

For the Urban Clark and Urban Washoe Service Areas Nevada Medicaid or its designee will authorize and arrange for all covered Medically necessary NEMT in accordance with policy and procedures outlined in the State MSM 1900. The Urban Clark and Urban Washoe MCO's will also coordinate with the NEMT broker and ensure that services are secured. For the Rural Service area, the MCO's are directly responsible for authorizing and arranging all covered Medically Necessary NEMT in accordance with policy and procedures outlined in MSM Chapter 1900.

Non- Emergency Secure Behavioral Health Transport

Non- Emergency Secure Behavioral Health Transport is available to members in accordance with MSM Chapter 1903 and reimbursed under FFS and outside the scope of NEMT. The MCO's are responsible for ensuring referral and coordination of care as well as educating Providers and Members, as appropriate, about the availability of this service.

Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT)

GEMT Services are available to eligible Managed Care members; however, the services are reimbursed under FFS pursuant to MSM Chapter 1900. The MCO is not responsible for payment of any GEMT service received by enrolled recipient. The GEMT provider will submit their claims directly to the Nevada Medicaid's Fiscal Agent and will be paid by the Nevada Medicaid through the Medicaid FFS fee schedule. The MCO is responsible for ensuring referral and coordination of care for GEMT services.

School Health Services (SHS)

The DHCFP has provider contracts with several school districts to provide EPSDT medically necessary coveredservices to eligible Title XIX Medicaid and Title XXI Nevada Check Up (NCU) recipients. School Based Health Clinics are separate and distinct from School Health Services. The school districts can provide, through school district employees or contract personnel, medically necessary covered services. Medicaid reimburses the school districts for these services in accordance with the school districts' provider contract. The MCO will provide covered medically necessary services beyond those available through school districts, or document whybecause the services

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are not medically necessary. Services may be obtained through the MCO rather than the school district if requested by the parent/legal guardian. The MCO case manager shall coordinate with the school district in obtaining any services which are not covered by the plan or the school district. The MCO must maintain regular check-ins between the SHS coordinator and LEAs to stay up to date on efforts to promote State Standards of SHS. The MCO will ensure their delivery system supports the integration of SHS with Medicaid and Nevada Check Up managed care services.

All Pre-Admissions Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) and Level of Care (LOC)

Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) and Level of Care (LOC) Assessments. All PASRR and LOC are performed by the State's Fiscal Agent. Conducting a PASRR and LOC will not prompt MCO disensollment, however, if the beneficiary is admitted to a nursing facility as the result of a PASRR and LOC, the MCO is responsible for the first 45 days of admission.

Adult Day Health Care (ADHC)

Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) services for eligible mManaged Ceare beneficiaries are covered under fee-for-service in accordance with MSM Chapter 1800. The MCOVendor is responsible for ensuring referral and coordination of care for ADHC services. The MCO must ensure that Members who are receiving ADHC services receive all Medically Necessary services covered in the managed care benefit package.

Targeted Case Management (TCM)

Targeted Case Management (TCM) has a specific meaning for Nevada Medicaid and Nevada Check Up. TCM, as defined by Chapter 2500 in the Medicaid Services Manual is carved out of the Mmanaged Ceare contracts. Case management, with which differs from TCM, is required from the contracted VendorsMCO.

Hospice

Once admitted into hospice care, Medicaid Managed Care recipients will be disenrolled immediately. -Nevada Check Up recipients will not be disenrolled, however payment for Nevada Check Up hospice services will be carved out and FFS should be billed.

Orthodontic Services

The contracted PAHP is required to provide all covered medically necessary dental services with the exception of orthodontic services, which are covered under FFS.

Orthodontic services for Members are covered under FFS pursuant to MSM Chapter 1000. The MCO is responsible for ensuring referral and the coordination of care for orthodontic services, pursuant to this Contract.

Dental Services

The contracted PAHP provides all covered medically necessary dental services under a 1915(b) waiver for managed care members residing in Washoe and Clark counites.

Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT)

GEMT Services are available to eligible managed care members; however, the services are reimbursed under FFS pursuant to MSM Chapter 1900. The vendor is not responsible for payment of any GEMT service received by an enrolled recipient. The GEMT provider will submit their claims directly to the DHCFP's Nevada Medicaid Fiscal

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Agent and will be paid by the DHCFP-Nevada Medicaid through the Medicaid FFS fee schedule. The MCO is responsible for ensuring referral and coordination of care for GEMT services.

Pharmacy Drug Limitations

Zolgensma® is a high-cost gene therapy drug used to treat children less than 2 years old with spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) is carved out and covered by FFS. Members receiving this drug will not be disenrolled from managed care. Recipients receiving this drug will not be disenrolled from managed care; however, payment for the drug will be reimbursed under FFS.

1915(C) HCBS Waiver Services.

Day Habilitation and Residential Habilitation Services.

All Nursing Facility Stays Over One Hundred Eighty (180) Calendar Days.

MCO's cover the first 180 days of a Nursing facility admission. The MCO's are to notify Nevada Medicaid if the Member's nursing facility stay is expected to exceed 180 calendar days. Member will be disenrolled and the stay will be covered under FFS on the 181st calendar day of the nursing facility stay.

Swing Bed Stays in Acute Hospitals.

Swing Bed Stays in Acute Hospitals Over Forty-Five (45) Calendar Days. The MCO is required to cover the first forty-five (45) calendar days of a swing bed admission. The MCO is also required to collect any Patient Liability (PL) for each month a capitation payment is received. The MCO shall notify the State by the fortieth (40th) day of any swing bed stay expected to exceed forty-five (45) calendar days, in accordance with the Reporting Requirements exhibit. The Member will be disenrolled from the MCO and the stay will be covered by FFS commencing on the forty-sixth (46th) calendar day of the facility stay.

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42 CFR 438.228		appeal system for enrollees.
1932(a)(5)(D)(b)(5) 42 CFR 438.62 42 CFR 438.68 42 CFR 438.206 42 CFR 438.207	K.	Services, including capacity, network adequacy, coordination, and continuity.
42 CFR 438.208		 ☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.62, regarding continued service to enrollees, will be met. ☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.68 regarding.

- ☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.68, regarding network adequacy standards, will be met.
- ☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.206, regarding availability of services, will be met.

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- ☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.207, regarding assurances of adequate capacity and services, will be met.
- ☑ The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.208, regarding coordination and continuity of care, will be met.

The State's contract requires Managed Care organizations to demonstrate that their Primary Care Provider (PCP) network has sufficient capacity, measured in Full-time Equivalent (FTE) requirements, to serve eligible beneficiaries in each service area. MCOs must use geo-mapping and data-driven analyses to comply with access standards and take appropriate corrective action', if necessary. The contract also mandates the division of Clark and Washoe counties into rural and urban areas for compliance purposes. It includes standards for appointment access and wait times, time and distance requirements, long-term services and support (LTSS) and active provider participation. If beneficiary's face issues accessing care, they can contact their MCO which must ensure timely access to the services covered. MCO's partner with Nevada Medicaid community providers, and stakeholders to identify and address issues and opportunities to improve health care access and availability for Medicaid and CHIP members. The following tables detail the access standards outlined in the contract: The state has contract language that requires the MCOs to demonstrate that the capacity of their PCP network meets the FTE requirements for accepting eligible beneficiaries per service area. The MCOs are required to use geo mapping and data driven analyses to ensure compliance with access standards and take appropriate corrective action, if necessary, to comply with such access standards. The contract includes appointment access standards. If a recipient is having access to care issues, they can contact their MCO for assistance, which must ensure timely access to covered services. The MCOspartner actively with the DHCFP, community providers and stakeholders to identify and address issues and opportunities to improve health care access and availability for Medicaid and CHIP members.

Service Type	Maximum Appointment Wait Time from the Day of Request		
	Urban	Rural	Frontier
Primary Care (adult)*	10 business days	15 business days	15 business days
Primary Care (pediatric)*	10 business days	15 business days	15 business days
Outpatient Mental Health and SUD Treatment (adult)	10 business days	10 business days	10 business days
Outpatient Mental Health and SUD Treatment (pediatric)	10 business days	10 business days	10 business days
Obstetrics/Gynecology, other than prenatal care	10 business days	15 business days	15 business days
Prenatal Care in 1st and 2nd trimester	7 calendar days	10 calendar days	10 calendar days

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Prenatal Care in 3 rd trimester or for high-risk pregnancies	3 calendar days	5 calendar days	5 calendar days
Physical, Occupational, or Speech Therapy	15 business days	20 business days	20 business days

	Maximum Time or Distance (Minutes/Miles)		
Service Type	Urban	Rural	Frontier
Primary Care (adult)	15/10	40/30	70/60
Primary Care (pediatric)	15/10	40/30	70/60
Obstetrics/Gynecology	15/10	40/30	70/60
Infectious Diseases (adult and pediatric)	60/40	110/90	145/130
Mental Health and SUD Treatment (adult)	45/30	75/60	110/100
Mental Health and SUD (pediatric)	45/30	75/60	110/100
Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy	45/30	75/60	110/100
Hospital	45/30	75/60	110/100
Pharmacy	15/10	40/30	70/60

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The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.330 and 438.340, regarding a quality assessment and performance improvement program and State quality strategy, will be met.

42 CFR 438.330 42 CFR 438.340

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M. \boxtimes The state assures that all applicable requirements of 42 CFR 438.350, 438.354, and 438.364 regarding an annual external independent review conducted by a qualified independent entity, will be met.

42 CFR 438.350 42 CFR 438.354 42 CFR 438.364 1932 (a)(1)(A)(ii)

N. Selective Contracting Under a 1932 State Plan Option.

To respond to items #1 and #2, place a check mark. The third item requires a brief narrative.

1. The state will ⊠/will not □ intentionally limit the number of entities it contracts under a 1932 state plan option.

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- ☐ The state assures that if it limits the number of contracting entities, this limitation will not substantially impair beneficiary access to services.
- 3. Describe the criteria the state uses to limit the number of entities it contracts under a 1932 state plan option. (Example: a limited number of providers and/or enrollees.)

Nevada Medicaid contracts with five (5) managed care entities: Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, CareSource, Molina Healthcare of Nevada, Silver Summit Health Plan, and UnitedHealthcare Health Plan of Nevada. These entities were contracted through the Nevada Medicaid Request for Proposal procurement process based off evaluation criteria and scoring of submissions.

During the procurement process, Nevada Medicaid received proposals. The State opted to increase the number of selected plans from prior procurement to increase competition in the market and offer more choice to Nevadan Medicaid Managed Care members.

Proposals were evaluated for demonstrated competence, experience in performance of comparable engagements, conformance with the terms of the RFP, expertise and availability of key personnel to serve Nevada Medicaid Managed Care members across Nevada's diverse geographic locations.

The DHCFP contracts with 4 managed care entities: Health Plan of Nevada, Silver Summit Health Plan, Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, and Molina-Healthcare of Nevada. These entities were contracted through the state's Request for Proposal procurement process based off evaluation criteria and scoring of submissions. During the procurement process, the DHCFP received 8proposals. The DHCFP opted to increase the number of selected plans from the prior procurement to increase competition in the market and offer more choiceto Nevadan Medicaid Managed Care members. Proposals were evaluated for demonstrated competence, experience in performance of comparableengagements, conformance with the terms of the RFP, expertise and availabilityof key personnel.

☐ The selective contracting provision in not applicable to this state plan.

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