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Health Care Financing Administration [ORD-075-N]

New and Pending Demonstration Project Proposals Submitted Pursuant to Section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act: February and March 1995

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists new proposals for demonstration projects submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services during the months of February and March 1995 under the authority of section 1115 of the Social Security Act. This notice also lists approved, disapproved, pending, and withdrawn proposals. (This notice can also be accessed on the Internet at [HTTP://WWW.SSA.GOV/HCFA/HCAHP2.HTML](http://WWW.SSA.GOV/HCFA/HCAHP2.HTML).)

COMMENTS: We will accept written comments on these proposals. We will, if feasible, acknowledge receipt of all comments, but we will not provide written responses to comments. We will, however, neither approve nor disapprove any new proposal for at least 30 days after the date of this notice to allow time to receive and consider comments. Direct comments as indicated below.

ADDRESSES: Mail correspondence to: Susan Anderson, Office of Research and Demonstrations, Health Care Financing Administration, 2230 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21207.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Anderson (410) 966-3996.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (the Act), the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) may consider and approve research and demonstration proposals with a broad range of policy objectives. These demonstrations can lead to improvements in achieving the purposes of the Act.

In exercising her discretionary authority, the Secretary has developed a number of policies and procedures for reviewing proposals. On September 27,

1994, we published a notice in the **Federal Register** (59 FR 49249) that specified (1) the principles that we ordinarily will consider when approving or disapproving demonstration projects under the authority in section 1115(a) of the Act; (2) the procedures we expect States to use in involving the public in the development of proposed demonstration projects under section 1115; and (3) the procedures we ordinarily will follow in reviewing demonstration proposals. We are committed to a thorough and expeditious review of State requests to conduct such demonstrations.

II. Listing of New, Pending, Approved, and Withdrawn Proposals for the Months of February and March 1995

As part of our procedures, we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** with a monthly listing of all new submissions, pending proposals, approvals, disapprovals, and withdrawn proposals. Proposals submitted in response to a grant solicitation or other competitive process are reported as received during the month that such grant or bid is awarded, so as to prevent interference with the awards process. We have added a new category in this notice entitled "Withdrawn Proposals" to identify project proposals that the States have withdrawn from consideration for approval under section 1115.

A. Comprehensive Health Reform Programs

1. New Proposals

Demonstration Title/State: Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)—Arizona.

Description: Arizona proposes to expand eligibility under its current section 1115 AHCCCS program to persons with incomes up to 100 percent of the Federal poverty level.

Date Received: March 17, 1995

State Contact: Mabel Chen, M.D., Director, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, 801 East Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona 85034, (602) 271-4422.

Federal Project Officer: Ron Lambert, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Community Care of Kansas—Kansas.

Description: Kansas proposes to implement a "managed cooperation demonstration project" in four predominantly rural counties, and to assess the success of a non-competitive managed care model in rural areas. The demonstration would enroll recipients

currently eligible in the AFDC and AFDC-related eligibility categories, and expand Medicaid eligibility to children ages 5 and under with family incomes up to 200 percent of the Federal poverty level.

Date Received: March 23, 1995.

State Contact: Karl Hockenbarger, Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, 915 SW Harrison Street, Topeka, Kansas 66612, (913) 296-4719.

Federal Project Officer: Jane Forman, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Health Access Plan Demonstration—Vermont.

Description: Vermont proposes to integrate Medicaid recipients into managed care plans and expand coverage to uninsured individuals up to 150 percent of the Federal poverty level. The State also proposes to provide pharmacy coverage to low income Medicare beneficiaries.

Date Received: February 24, 1995.

State Contact: Veronica Celani, Health Policy Director, Vermont Agency of Human Services, 103 State Street, Waterbury, Vermont 05671, (802) 828-2949.

Federal Project Officer: Sherrie Fried, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

2. Pending Proposals

Demonstration Title/State: The Diamond State Health Plan—Delaware.

Description: Delaware proposes to expand eligibility for Medicaid to persons with incomes up to 100 percent of the Federal poverty level and require that the Medicaid population enroll in managed care delivery systems. The State's current section 1115 demonstration project, the Delaware Health Care Partnership for Children, would be incorporated into the statewide program as an optional provider for eligible children.

Date Received: July 29, 1994.

State Contact: Kay Holmes, DSHP Coordinator, DHSS Medicaid Unit, Biggs Building, P.O. Box 906, New Castle, Delaware 19720, (302) 577-4900.

Federal Project Officer: Rosana Hernandez, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: MediPlan Plus—Illinois.

Description: Illinois seeks to develop a managed care delivery system using a

series of networks, either local or statewide, to tailor its Medicaid delivery system to the needs of local urban neighborhoods or large rural areas.

Date Received: September 15, 1994.

State Contact: Tom Toberman, Manager, Federal/State Monitoring, 201 South Grand Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois 62763, (217) 782-2570.

Federal Project Officer: Gina Clemons, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Louisiana Health Access—Louisiana.

Description: Louisiana proposes to implement a fully capitated statewide managed care program. A basic benefit package and a behavioral health and pharmacy wrap-around would be administered through the managed care plans. The State intends to expand eligibility of persons with incomes up to 250 percent of the Federal poverty level (FPL), with persons with incomes above 133 percent of the FPL paying all or a portion of premiums. To fund the demonstration, the State is seeking a waiver of Federal Medical Assistance Payments (FMAP) requirements, which would effectively create a block grant whereby the Federal share of the demonstration would be fixed over the course of the demonstration and the State would assume the cost of increases as they occurred.

Date Received: January 3, 1995.

State Contact: Carolyn Maggio, Executive Director, Bureau of Research and Development, Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Post Office 2870, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-2871, (504) 342-2964.

Federal Project Officer: Gina Clemons, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: MassHealth—Massachusetts.

Description: Massachusetts proposes a range of strategies that would extend Medicaid coverage to its low-income and uninsured citizens, including the employed, the short-term unemployed, and the long-term unemployed. The proposed program would employ direct provision of health services as well as indirect strategies that would promote market forces to address the needs of the uninsured, by providing subsidies to employers and low-income employees with incomes up to 200 percent of the Federal poverty level.

Date Received: April 15, 1994.

State Contact: Laurie Burgess, Director, Managed Care Program,

Development, Division of Medical Assistance, 600 Washington Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02111, (617) 348-5695.

Federal Project Officer: Ed Hutton, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: MinnesotaCare—Minnesota.

Description: Minnesota proposes to expand its use of managed care service delivery and to extend Medicaid eligibility to families and children with incomes up to 275 percent of the Federal poverty level. The State would also integrate Medicaid with other public entities that deliver health services.

Date Received: July 28, 1994.

State Contact: Maria Gomez, Commissioner, Health Care Services Delivery, Minnesota Department of Human Services, 444 Lafayette Road N, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, (612) 297-4113.

Federal Project Officer: Penny Pine, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Missouri.

Description: Missouri proposes to require that beneficiaries enroll in managed care delivery systems, and extend Medicaid eligibility to persons with incomes below 200 percent of the Federal poverty level. As part of the program, Missouri would create a fully capitated managed care pilot program to serve non-institutionalized persons with permanent disabilities on a voluntary basis.

Date Received: June 30, 1994.

State Contact: Donna Checkett, Director, Division of Medical Services, Missouri Department of Social Services, PO Box 6500, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-6500, (314) 751-6922.

Federal Project Officer: Nancy Goetschius, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: The Granite State Partnership for Access and Affordability in Health Care—New Hampshire.

Description: New Hampshire proposes to extend Medicaid eligibility to adults with incomes below the AFDC cash standard and to create a public insurance product for low income workers. The State also seeks to implement a number of pilot initiatives to help redesign its health care delivery system.

Date Received: June 14, 1994.

State Contact: Barry Bodell, New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Commissioner, 6 Hazen Drive, Concord, New Hampshire 03301-6505, (603) 271-4332.

Federal Project Officer: Maria Boulmetis, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State:

SoonerCare—Oklahoma.

Description: Oklahoma proposes to implement a 5-year statewide managed care demonstration using both fully and partially capitated delivery systems. The emphasis of the program is to address access problems in rural areas by encouraging the development of rural-based managed care initiatives. The State will employ traditional fully capitated managed care delivery models for urban areas and will introduce a series of partial capitation models in the rural areas of the State. All currently eligible, non-institutionalized individuals will be enrolled during the first 2 years of the program.

Date Received: January 6, 1995.

State Contact: Dr. Garth Splinter, Oklahoma Health Care Authority, Lincoln Plaza, 4545 N. Lincoln Blvd., Suite 124, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, (405) 530-3439.

Federal Project Officer: Helaine I. Fingold, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

3. Approved Conceptual Proposals (Awards of Waivers Pending)

No conceptual proposals were approved during the months of February and March.

4. Approved Grant Proposals (Award of Waivers Pending)

No grant proposals were awarded during the months of February and March.

5. Approved Proposals

No comprehensive health reform proposals were approved during the months of February and March.

6. Disapproved Proposals

No comprehensive health reform proposals have been disapproved since January 1, 1993.

7. Withdrawn Proposals

No comprehensive health reform proposals were withdrawn during the months of February and March.

B. Other Section 1115 Demonstration Proposals

1. New Proposals

Demonstration Title/State: Family Planning Services Section 1115 Waiver Request—Michigan.

Description: Michigan seeks to extend Medicaid coverage for family planning services to all women of childbearing age living in families with incomes at or below 185 percent of the Federal poverty level, and provide an additional benefit package consisting of home visits, outreach services to identify eligibility, and reinforced support for utilization of services. The duration of the project is 5 years.

Date Received: March 27, 1995.

State Contact: Gerald Miller, Director, Department of Social Services, 235 South Grand Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48909, (517) 335-5117.

Federal Project Officer: Suzanne Rotwein, Ph.D., Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

2. Pending Proposals

Demonstration Title/State: Georgia's Children's Benefit Plan—Georgia.

Description: The State of Georgia submitted a Section 1115 proposal entitled "Georgia Children's Benefit Plan" that provides preventive and primary care services for children 1 through 5 years of age who are between 133 and 185 percent of the Federal poverty level. The duration of the waiver is 5 years with proposed project dates of July 1, 1995 to June 30, 2000.

Date Received: December 12, 1994.

State Contact: Jacquelyn Foster-Rice, Georgia Department of Medical Assistance, 2 Peachtree Street NW., 201 South Grand Avenue East, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3159, (404) 651-5785.

Federal Project Officer: Maria Boulmetis, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: High Cost User Initiative—Maryland.

Description: Maryland proposes to implement an integrated case management system for high-cost, high-risk Medicaid recipients.

Date Received: July 8, 1994.

State Contact: John Folkemer, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Medical Assistance Policy, 201 West Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, (410) 225-5206.

Federal Project Officer: Rosana Hernandez, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Minnesota Long-Term Care Options Project—Minnesota.

Description: The State proposes to integrate long-term care and acute care services under combined Medicare and Medicaid capitation payments for elderly dual eligibles.

Date Received: April 18, 1994.

State Contact: Pamela Parker, Minnesota Department of Human Services, Human Services Building, 444 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, (612) 296-2140.

Federal Project Officer: Melissa McNiff, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Family Planning Proposal—New Mexico.

Description: New Mexico proposes to extend Medicaid eligibility for family planning services to all women of childbearing age with incomes at or below 185 percent of the Federal poverty level.

Date Received: November 1, 1994.

State Contact: Bruce Weydemeyer, Director, Division of Medical Assistance, PO Box 2348, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348, (505) 827-3106.

Federal Project Officer: Alisa Adamo, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: CHOICES—Citizenship, Health, Opportunities, Interdependence, Choices and Supports—Rhode Island.

Description: Rhode Island proposes to consolidate all current State and Federal funding streams for adults with developmental disabilities under one program using managed care/managed competition.

Date Received: April 5, 1994.

State Contact: Susan Babin, Department of Mental Health, Retardation, and Hospitals, Division of Developmental Disabilities, 600 New London Avenue, Cranston, Rhode Island 02920, (401) 464-3234.

Federal Project Officer: Melissa McNiff, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Virginia.

Description: Virginia proposes to expand Medicaid eligibility to children in the State-funded KIDS CARE program, and provide them with a limited Medicaid benefit restricted to ambulatory services.

Date Received: May 18, 1994.

State Contact: Janet Kennedy, Suite 1300, 600 East Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, (804) 371-8855.

Federal Project Officer: Maria Boulmetis, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Wisconsin.

Description: The State proposes to limit the amount of exempt funds that may be set aside as burial and related expenses for SSI-related Medicaid recipients.

Date Received: March 9, 1994.

State Contact: Jean Sheil, Division of Economic Support, Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services, 1 West Wilson Street, Room 650, P.O. Box 7850, Madison, Wisconsin 53707, (608) 266-0613.

Federal Project Officer: J. Donald Sherwood, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

3. Approved Conceptual Proposals (Award of Waivers Pending)

No conceptual proposals were awarded during the months of February and March.

4. Approved Proposals

No proposals were approved during the months of February and March.

5. Disapproved Proposals

No proposals were disapproved during the months of February and March.

6. Withdrawn Proposals

The following proposals were withdrawn from consideration by their respective States.

Demonstration Title/State: Pay-in Spenddown Pilot—Ohio.

Description: Ohio proposed to implement a one-county pilot program to allow the medically needy to pay in spenddown amounts in order to qualify for Medicaid to simplify eligibility administration.

Date Received: April 28, 1994.

Date Withdrawn: February 15, 1995.

State Contact: Jeanne Carroll, Ohio Department of Human Services, 30 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43266, (614) 466-6024.

Federal Project Officer: David Walsh, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

Demonstration Title/State: Family Planning Demonstration—Washington.

Description: The State proposed to provide family planning services to low-income women for an additional 10 months postpartum, extending total coverage for such services to one year.

Date Received: April 21, 1994.

Date Withdrawn: January 20, 1995.

State Contact: Claudia Lewis, Medical Assistance Administration, Division of Client Services, P.O. Box 45530, Olympia, Washington 98504-5530, (206) 586-2751.

Federal Project Officer: Maria Boulmetis, Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Research and Demonstrations, 2302 Oak Meadows, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

III. Requests for Copies of a Proposal

Requests for copies of a specific Medicaid proposal should be made to the State contact listed for the specific proposal. If further help or information is needed, inquiries should be directed to HCFA at the address above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program, No. 93.779; Health Financing Research, Demonstrations, and Experiments)

Dated: May 22, 1995.

Bruce C. Vladeck,

Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

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Health Resources and Services Administration Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), announcement is made of the following National Advisory body scheduled to meet during the month of June 1995.

Name: National Advisory Council on the National Health Service Corps

Date and Time: June 23-26, 1995

Place: Hyatt Regency Crystal City, 2799 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal City, Virginia, (703) 418-1234.

The meeting is open to the public.

Purpose: The Council will advise and make appropriate recommendations on the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) program as mandated by legislation. It will also review and comment on proposed regulations promulgated by the Secretary under provision of the legislation.

Agenda: The agenda will include updates on the Bureau of Primary Health Care,

National Health Service Corps and testimony on papers prepared for the June 24 and 25 conference entitled "NHSC: Creating a Road Map for the Future". The papers address the following: "Preparing Students to Become Student-Oriented Clinicians"; "Preparing Communities for Service-Oriented Clinicians"; "Matching Service-Oriented Clinicians and Communities"; and "Assuring Clinicians Positive Community Experiences". The Council will also participate in this conference at the Hyatt Regency.

The meetings will begin at 8:00 a.m. and adjourn at 5:00 p.m. on June 23-25. The Council will reconvene Monday June 26, at 8:00 a.m. to discuss further business and adjourn at 12:00 noon.

Anyone requiring information regarding the subject Council should contact Ms. Nada Schnabel, National Advisory Council on the National Health Service Corps, 8th floor, 4350 East West Highway, Rockville, Maryland 20857, Telephone (301) 594-4147.

Agenda Items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: June 8, 1995.

Jackie E. Baum,

Advisory Committee Management Officer, HRSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Outer Continental Shelf, Central and Western Gulf of Mexico, Oil and Gas Lease Sales 166 and 168

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Call for Information and Nominations, and Notice of Intent (Call/NOI) to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

1. *Authority.* This Call is published pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act as amended (43 U. S. C. 1331-1356, (1988)) (OCSLA), and the regulations issued thereunder (30 CFR Part 256).

The NOI is published pursuant to the regulations (40 CFR 1501.7) implementing the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 as amended (42 U. S. C. 4321 et seq. (1988))(NEPA)

2. *Purpose of Call.* The purpose of the Call is to gather information for Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lease Sale 166 in the Central Gulf of Mexico (CGOM) Planning Area, tentatively scheduled for March 1997, and OCS Lease Sale 168 in the Western Gulf of Mexico (WGOM) Planning Area, tentatively scheduled for August 1997.

Information and nominations on oil and gas leasing, exploration, and

development and production within the Central Gulf of Mexico and Western Gulf of Mexico Planning Areas are sought from all interested parties. This early planning and consultation step is important for ensuring that all interests and concerns are communicated to the Department of the Interior for future decisions in the leasing process pursuant to the OCSLA, and regulations at 30 CFR 256. This Call does not indicate a preliminary decision to lease in the area described below. Final delineation of the area for possible leasing will be made at a later date and in compliance with applicable laws including all requirements of the NEPA and the OCSLA. Established departmental procedures will be employed.

3. *Description of Area.* The general area of this Call covers the entire central and western portions of the Gulf of Mexico between approximately 88 degrees W. longitude on the east and approximately 97 degrees W. longitude on the west and extends from the Federal-State boundaries seaward to the provisional maritime boundary between the United States and Mexico. The entire Call area is offshore the States of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama and is divided into two planning areas.

The Central Gulf Planning Area is bounded on the east by approximately 88 degrees W. longitude. Its western boundary begins at the offshore boundary between Texas and Louisiana and proceeds southeasterly to approximately 28 degrees N. latitude, thence east to approximately 92 degrees W. longitude, thence south to the provisional maritime boundary with Mexico which constitutes the southern boundary of the area. The northern part of the area is bounded by the Federal-State boundary offshore Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. The area available for nominations and comments at this time consists of approximately 47.8 million acres.

The Western Gulf Planning Area is bounded on the west and north by the Federal-State boundary and on the east by the Central Gulf Planning Area. It extends south to the provisional maritime boundary with Mexico. It is offshore Texas and, in deeper water, offshore Louisiana. The area available for nominations and comments consists of about 35.9 million acres.

A standard Call for Information Map depicting each planning area on a block-by-block basis is available without charge from: Minerals Management Service, Public Information Unit (MS 5034), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard,