

State Authority for Health Home Designation and Ongoing Oversight

Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA)

Informs the Federal Government of the Medicaid programs to be offered by the State. Sets forth the Standards and Requirements the programs will abide by. Can be changed with Federal approval if needed.
(e.g. The most recent Health Home SPA is 17-0025)

Health Home Standards and Requirements

These include the 6 Core Services and the corresponding requirements for each service identified. The Standards and Requirements are static and provide an impetus for more specific policy developed by the State.

Health Home State Policies

Policies are developed by the State to further develop Standards and Requirements from the SPA. They identify the specific elements Health Homes have responsibility over. Policies are reviewed by Stakeholders within the State and do not require Federal approval.

Policy Elements

Each policy contains specific elements that the Health Home is responsible to include. These may include specific processes, timeframes, policies, etc. that the Health Home is required to implement within their Care Management Agency Network. The State must ensure the Health Home abides by those elements through the site survey process. Elements may contain several "components".

Element Components

Each element may contain several smaller pieces that identify further specifics about the Health Home's responsibilities. For example, an element may indicate that the Health Home requires specific screenings within the Comprehensive Assessments; the items on the list of required screenings are the components of that element.