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SUBJECT: Section 1115 Basic Medicaid Waiver Update

Montana's Section 1115 Basic Medicaid Waiver Amendment Extension request was submitted again on August 16, 2010 and is pending CMS review. The amendment continues to provide Basic Medicaid benefits, which excludes most optional Medicaid services, to Able Bodied Adults. The request adds one population, up to 800 MHSP Waiver individuals who: are qualified for the State only Mental Health Services Plan Program; have schizophrenia or bipolar disorder; are at least 18 years of age; and who are residents of Montana with incomes at or below 150% FPL. The estimated total State cost of the new population is \$10,312,035 through January 2014.

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