



## **NAMD Applauds CMCS Elevation of State Strategies to Effectively Manage Medicaid Redeterminations**

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**Washington, DC** – On behalf of the nation's Medicaid Directors, the National Association of Medicaid Directors applauds our federal partners at the Centers for Medicaid and CHIP Services (CMCS) for [elevating effective state strategies to navigate the numerous upcoming redeterminations of Medicaid coverage when the national COVID-19 emergency ends.](#)

The COVID-19 pandemic activated the national health care safety net with Medicaid as its backbone. No one enrolled in Medicaid as we entered the pandemic, and no one who qualified for Medicaid during the pandemic, lost this critical link to health care coverage. Enrollment grew from about 71 million adults and children to roughly 85 million adults and children during this national health emergency. With the end of the emergency, the process of determining who is still eligible for Medicaid, and who is no longer eligible but may be eligible for other sources of health care coverage, will begin.

CMCS's showcasing of state strategies demonstrates the thoughtful approach and intensive planning states are employing to ensure an orderly, streamlined redetermination process. States are accounting not just for the redetermination process itself, but also how to ensure Medicaid beneficiaries receive important information on this process and how partners across communities can support these efforts.

"It is a top priority of the Biden-Harris Administration to make sure as many current Medicaid and CHIP enrollees maintain health care coverage after the Public Health Emergency ends, whether it is being renewed for Medicaid or being connected to low or no cost plans on the Marketplace, said Dan Tsai, Deputy Administrator and Director of Center for Medicaid and Children's Insurance Health Programs. "CMS is committed to ensuring access to comprehensive health care coverage by providing states with guidance and resources as they plan for the eventual end of the PHE. We greatly appreciate the engagement with CMS and the preparation State Medicaid Programs have undertaken to date. We have much more work ahead, and we will continue to use all available levers in partnership with State Medicaid programs to keep individuals and families covered."

"The foresight and deliberation of Medicaid leaders as we approach the immense task of redetermining Medicaid rolls is incredible," said NAMD Executive Director Matt Salo.

“We look forward to continued partnership with CMCS and other critical stakeholders to make this work a success.”

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