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## **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

SUBJECT: Federal Financial Participation in State Assistance Expenditures; Federal Matching Shares for Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program, and Aid to Needy Aged, Blind, or Disabled Persons for October 1, 2012

through September 30, 2013

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (FMAP), Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentages (eFMAP), and disaster-recovery FMAP adjustments for Fiscal Year 2013 have been calculated pursuant to the Social Security Act (the Act). These percentages will be effective from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013. This notice announces the calculated FMAP and eFMAP rates that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will use in determining the amount of federal matching for state medical assistance (Medicaid) and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) expenditures, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Contingency Funds, Child Support Enforcement collections, Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund, Foster Care Title IV-E Maintenance payments, and Adoption Assistance payments. Table 1 gives figures for each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. This notice also announces the disaster-recovery FMAP adjustments for qualifying states for FY

2013 that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will use in determining the amount of federal matching for state medical assistance (Medicaid) and title IV–E Foster Care, Adoption Assistance and Guardianship Assistance programs.

Programs under title XIX of the Act exist in each jurisdiction. Programs under titles I, X, and XIV operate only in Guam and the Virgin Islands, while a program under title XVI (Aid to the Aged, Blind, or Disabled) operates only in Puerto Rico. The percentages in this notice apply to state expenditures for most medical assistance and child health assistance, and assistance payments for certain social services. The Act provides separately for federal matching of administrative costs.

Sections 1905(b) and 1101(a)(8)(B) of the Social Security Act (the Act) require the Secretary of HHS to publish the FMAP rates each year. The Secretary calculates the percentages, using formulas in sections 1905(b) and 1101(a)(8, and calculations by the Department of Commerce of average income per person in each state and for the Nation as a whole. The percentages must fall within the upper and lower limits given in section 1905(b) of the Act. The percentages for the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands are specified in statute, and thus are not based on the statutory formula that determines the percentages for the 50 States.

Section 1905(b) of the Act specifies the formula for calculating FMAPs as follows:

""Federal medical assistance percentage" for any State shall be 100 per centum less the State percentage; and the State percentage shall be that percentage which bears the same ratio to 45 per centum as the square of the per capita income of such State bears to the square of the per capita income of the continental United States (including Alaska) and Hawaii; except that (1) the Federal medical assistance percentage shall in no case be less than 50 per centum or more than 83 per centum, (2) the Federal medical assistance percentage for Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa shall be 55 percent...".

Section 4725(b) of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 amended section 1905(b) to provide that the FMAP for the District of Columbia for purposes of titles XIX and XXI shall be 70 percent. For the District of Columbia, we note under Table 1 that other rates may apply in certain other programs. In addition, we note the rate that applies for Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in certain other programs pursuant to section 1118 of the Act.

Section 2105(b) of the Act specifies the formula for calculating the eFMAP rates as follows:

The "enhanced FMAP", for a State for a fiscal year, is equal to the Federal medical assistance percentage (as defined in the first sentence of section

1905(b)) for the State increased by a number of percentage points equal to 30 percent of the number of percentage points by which (1) such Federal medical assistance percentage for the State, is less than (2) 100 percent; but in no case shall the enhanced FMAP for a state exceed 85 percent.

The eFMAP rates are used in the Children's Health Insurance Program under

Title XXI, and in the Medicaid program for certain children for expenditures for
medical assistance described in sections 1905(u)(2) and 1905(u)(3) of the Act.

There is no specific requirement to publish the eFMAP rates. We include them in
this notice for the convenience of the States.

Section 2006 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 ("Affordable Care Act") amended section 1905 of the Social Security Act by adding section (aa) to provide for an increase in the FMAP rate for qualifying States for Medicaid and title IV-E Foster Care, Adoption Assistance and Guardianship Assistance programs. The purpose of the increase to the FMAP rate is to provide increased Federal financial participation for qualifying States that have experienced a major, statewide disaster. The methodology for calculating and publishing disaster-recovery adjustments to fiscal year FMAP rates was published on December 22, 2010 (75 FR 80501).

Section 2006 defines a "disaster-recovery FMAP adjustment state" as one of the 50 states or District of Columbia for which, at any time during the preceding 7 fiscal years, the President has declared a major disaster under section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford

Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act under which every county or parish in the state is eligible for individual and public assistance or public assistance from the federal government, and for which the FMAP as determined for the fiscal year is less than the FMAP (for the first year of assistance) or the disaster-adjusted recovery FMAP (for each subsequent year of assistance) for the preceding fiscal year by at least three percentage points.

Qualifying States receive an adjustment to their annual FMAP rate based on a formula specified in statute. In the first year a State qualifies, this increase is applied to the FMAP as determined for the fiscal year. In the second or any succeeding fiscal year a State qualifies, the adjustment is applied to the prior year's disaster-adjusted recovery FMAP. This results in increased, rather than phased down, financial assistance to qualifying States each year, and allows States to continue to qualify for assistance after their underlying FMAP has stabilized. The resulting assistance will be higher than initially projected.

Based on the criteria for a qualifying state, only two States meet the requirement that the FMAP as determined for FY 2013 is less than the previous year FMAP by at least three percentage points. Of the two States, only one, Louisiana, has had a Presidential disaster declaration that applies to all counties and parishes within the state in the preceding 7 fiscal years. Hurricane Gustav was declared a state-wide disaster in Louisiana on September 2, 2008. Therefore, Louisiana is the only state that qualifies for a disaster-recovery adjustment to their FY2013 FMAP rate. The disaster-recovery

adjusted FMAP rate for Louisiana for FY2013 is provided in Table 2.

EFFECTIVE DATES: The percentages listed will be effective for each of the four

quarter-year periods beginning October 1, 2012 and ending September 30, 2013.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.558: TANF Contingency

Funds; 93.563: Child Support Enforcement; 93.596: Child Care Mandatory and

Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund; 93.658: Foster Care Title IV-

E; 93.659: Adoption Assistance; 93.769: Ticket-to-Work and Work Incentives

Improvement Act (TWWIIA) Demonstrations to Maintain Independence and

Employment; 93.778: Medical Assistance Program; 93.767: Children's Health Insurance

Program)

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Table 1. Federal Medical Assistance Percentages and Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentages, effective October 1, 2012-September 30, 2013 (Fiscal Year 2013)

State	Federal Medical Assistance Percentages	Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentages
Alabama	68.53	77.97
Alaska	50.00	65.00
American Samoa*	55.00	68.50
Arizona	65.68	75.98
Arkansas	70.17	79.12
California	50.00	65.00
Colorado	50.00	65.00
Connecticut	50.00	65.00
Delaware	55.67	68.97
District of Columbia**	70.00	79.00
Florida	58.08	70.66
Georgia	65.56	75.89
Guam*	55.00	68.50
Hawaii	51.86	66.30
Idaho	71.00	79.70
Illinois	50.00	65.00
Indiana	67.16	77.01
lowa	59.59	71.71
Kansas	56.51	69.56
Kentucky	70.55	79.39
Louisiana	61.24	72.87
Maine	62.57	73.80
Maryland	50.00	65.00
Massachusetts	50.00	65.00
Michigan	66.39	76.47
Minnesota	50.00	65.00
Mississippi	73.43	81.40
Missouri	61.37	72.96
Montana	66.00	76.20
Nebraska	55.76	69.03
Nevada	59.74	71.82
New Hampshire	50.00	65.00
New Jersey	50.00	65.00
New Mexico	69.07	78.35
New York	50.00	65.00
North Carolina	65.51	75.86
North Dakota	52.27	66.59
Northern Mariana Islands*	55.00	68.50
Ohio	63.58	74.51
Oklahoma	64.00	74.80

Oregon	62.44	73.71
Pennsylvania	54.28	68.00
Puerto Rico*	55.00	68.50
Rhode Island	51.26	65.88
South Carolina	70.43	79.30
South Dakota	56.19	69.33
Tennessee	66.13	76.29
Texas	59.30	71.51
Utah	69.61	78.73
Vermont	56.04	69.23
Virgin Islands*	55.00	68.50
Virginia	50.00	65.00
Washington	50.00	65.00
West Virginia	72.04	80.43
Wisconsin	59.74	71.82
Wyoming	50.00	65.00

<sup>\*</sup> For purposes of section 1118 of the Social Security Act, the percentage used under titles I, X, XIV, and XVI will be 75 per centum.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The values for the District of Columbia in the table were set for the state plan under titles XIX and XXI and for capitation payments and DSH allotments under those titles. For other purposes, the percentage for D.C is 50.00, unless otherwise specified by law.

Table 2. Fiscal Year 2013 Disaster-Recovery Adjusted FMAP Rates

Α	В	С	D	E	F
		FY12 Disaster	Difference	Disaster-Recovery	FY13 Disaster
State	FY13 FMAP	-Recovery Adjusted	in FMAP	Adjustment	-Recovery Adjusted
		FMAP		Increase	FMAP
			Col C-B	25% x Col D	Col C + E
Louisiana	61.24	69.78	8.54	2.14	71.92

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