STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES

MANDATORY MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT FOR OPIOD USE DISORDER PURSUANT TO THE SUBSTANCE USE-DISORDER PREVENTION THAT PROMOTES OPIOID RECOVERY AND TREATMENT FOR PATIENTS AND COMMUNITIES ACT (SUPPORT ACT)

TAKE NOTICE the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS), intends to seek approval from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), for an amendment to the New Jersey Medicaid (Title XIX) State Plan regarding the mandatory medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for opioid use disorder (OUD) pursuant to the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT Act).

Pursuant to CMS' directive, States that already cover pieces, parts or all of the services required as part of this provision are required to submit a State Plan Amendment to reflect that the coverage is now mandatory pursuant to Social Security Act Section 1905(a)(29) (42 USC 1396d(a)(29) in order to be compliant with this new directive. Because New Jersey already provides MAT services as an optional benefit, there is no anticipated fiscal impact.

This Notice is intended to satisfy the requirements of Federal law and regulations, specifically 42 C.F.R. 440.386, 42 CFR 447.205, and 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(13). A copy of this Notice is available for public review at the Medical Assistance Customer Centers, County Welfare Agencies, and the Department's website at:

http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/public/index.html.

Comments or inquiries must be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date of this notice to:

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