



COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
MEDICAID PROGRAM

Public Notice
Amendment to the Medicaid State Plan

Pursuant to federal regulation, the Medicaid Program of the Puerto Rico Department of Health intends to submit an amendment to the Puerto Rico Medicaid State Plan to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to address certain requirements included in the Affordable Care Act, also known as ObamaCare.

To comply with ObamaCare new requirements and through an agreement with CMS, Puerto Rico Medicaid Program will begin providing the following services to the Medicaid and CHIP beneficiaries on January 1, 2016:

The Program will cover eyeglasses or lenses for Medicaid and CHIP beneficiaries under age 21 when those are medically necessary. Eyeglasses or lenses benefit will consist of a single or multi-focal lenses and one standard frame every 24 months. All type of lenses will be preauthorized, except for intraocular lenses. The repair or replacement of eyeglasses within the 24-months term will be covered when it is medically necessary and approved through a prior authorization process.

Any person or organization may submit comments or questions about this Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) within a term of five (5) calendar days from the publication of this notice. Please send any comments or questions to the Central Office of the Medicaid Program, Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA), P.O Box 70184, San Juan, P.R., 00936-8184.