



Rescinding Public and Tribal Notice of Nebraska Medicaid Section 1115 Sustainable Coverage Demonstration

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In accordance with 42 CFR 431.408, the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is providing public notice that it is withdrawing its proposed Section 1115 Sustainable Coverage Demonstration application from consideration by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

On February 23, 2026, DHHS published public and tribal notices regarding its intent to submit a five-year Section 1115 demonstration application seeking approval to limit retroactive Medicaid eligibility for the full Medicaid population, referred to as the Sustainable Coverage Demonstration. The proposed demonstration anticipated an effective date of October 1, 2026.

After further review and consideration of stakeholder feedback, operational factors, fiscal considerations, and federal policy guidance, DHHS has determined that it will not proceed with submission of the Sustainable Coverage Demonstration application at this time.

As a result:

- DHHS will not submit the demonstration application to CMS.
- No changes will be made to current retroactive Medicaid eligibility policy under this proposal.

Nebraska Medicaid eligibility and coverage policies remain unchanged. Retroactive eligibility will continue to be administered in accordance with federal Medicaid requirements and existing state policy.

Information regarding this withdrawal may be found at: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Medicaid-Public-Notices.aspx>

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to:

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