

For the opt-in populations/individuals, describe the manner in which the State will inform each individual that such enrollment is voluntary, that such individual may opt out of such alternative benefit package at any time and regain immediate eligibility for the regular Medicaid program under the State plan.

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*See Section 2.D of Attachment*

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For the opt-in populations/individuals, provide a description of the benefits available under the alternative benefit package and a comparison of how they differ from the benefits available under the regular Medicaid program, as well as an assurance that the State will inform each individual of this information.

Covered services, including new benefits adding prevention services, adult physicals, and prevention and health assistance benefits are identified in Section 3.

c. X / Geographical Classification

States can provide for enrollment of populations on a statewide basis, regional basis, or county basis.

List any geographic variations:

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*See Section 1.C of Attachment*

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Please provide a chart, listing eligible populations (groups) by mandatory enrollment, opt-in enrollment, geography limitations, or any other requirements or limitations.

B. Description of the Benefits

X / The State will provide the following alternative benefit packages (check all that apply). *Enhanced Plan*

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1. X / Benchmark Benefits

a. \_\_\_ / **FEHBP-equivalent Health Insurance Coverage** – The standard Blue Cross/Blue Shield preferred provider option services benefit plan, described in and offered under section 8903(1) of Title 5, United States Code.

b. \_\_\_/ **State Employee Coverage** – A health benefits coverage plan that is offered and generally available to State employees within the State involved. Attach a copy of the State’s employee benefits plan package.

c. \_\_\_/ **Coverage Offered Through a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO)** - The health insurance plan that is offered by an HMO (as defined in section 2791(b)(3) of the Public Health Service Act), and that has the largest insured commercial, non-Medicaid enrollment of such plans within the State involved. Attach a copy of the HMO’s benefit package.

d. X/ **Secretary-approved Coverage** – Any other health benefits coverage that the Secretary determines provides appropriate coverage for the population served. Provide a description of the State’s plan. Provide a full description of the benefits package including the benefits provided and any applicable limits.

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2. \_\_\_/ **Benchmark-Equivalent Benefits.**

Specify which benchmark plan or plans this benefit package is equivalent to, and provide the information listed above for that plan: \_\_\_\_\_.

a. \_\_\_/ The State assures that the benefit package(s) have been determined to have an actuarial value equivalent to the specified benchmark plan or plans in an actuarial report that: 1) has been prepared by an individual who is a member of the American Academy of Actuaries; 2) using generally accepted actuarial principles and methodologies; 3) using a standardized set of utilization and price factors; 4) using a standardized population that is representative of the population being served; 5) applying the same principles and factors in comparing the value of different coverage (or categories of services) without taking into account any differences in coverage based on the method of delivery or means of cost control or utilization used; and 6) takes into account the ability of a State to reduce benefits by taking into account the increase in actuarial value of