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## Report Highlights

# Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) - Medicaid Recipient Report No. 6

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### Why We Conducted This Audit

LDH used tax return data from the Louisiana Department of Revenue to identify Medicaid recipients who reported income in excess of \$100,000 during tax year 2017. The list of recipients who met these criteria was provided to the LLA in April 2019. Medicaid recipients A.B. and C.D. were included on this list and selected for review by LLA because we determined that Medicaid recipient A.B. had income from self-employment that was not reported to LDH. LLA initiated this investigative audit to determine if these recipients provided LDH with complete and accurate information to determine their Medicaid eligibility.

### What We Found

#### Recipients Failed to Notify LDH of Changes to Income

Medicaid recipients A.B. and C.D., husband and wife, failed to notify the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) of changes to their household income. As a result, A.B., C.D., and their children continued to receive Medicaid coverage after their household income exceeded Medicaid program limits. LDH paid \$45,352 for monthly premiums to Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) on behalf of A.B., C.D., and their children, and the MCOs paid providers \$9,713 for covered health care services from October 2016 to September 2019. Had they informed LDH of changes to their household income, A.B., C.D., and their children may have been ineligible to receive Medicaid benefits from October 2016 to September 2019. By failing to notify LDH of changes to their household income, A.B. and C.D. may have violated state law.

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