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## Report Highlights

# Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) - Medicaid Recipient Report No. 5

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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 recipient A.B. was included on this list and selected for review by LLA because of the level of activity in her Medicaid case file (claims paid in excess of \$16,000). LLA initiated this investigative audit to determine if Medicaid recipient A.B. provided LDH with complete and accurate information to determine Medicaid eligibility for herself and her children.

### What We Found

#### Recipient Provided Incomplete and Inaccurate Information to Obtain Medicaid Benefits

Medicaid recipient A.B. provided incomplete and inaccurate information to the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) to obtain Louisiana Medicaid (Medicaid) benefits for herself and her three children. LDH paid \$58,824 for monthly premiums to Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and \$1,603 directly to providers on behalf of A.B. and her children from January 2016 to December 2019. The MCOs paid providers \$62,513 for covered health care services for A.B. and her children. During this period, A.B. failed to disclose all household members and household income to LDH. Had she provided complete and accurate information to LDH, A.B. and her children may have been ineligible to receive Medicaid benefits. By providing incomplete and inaccurate information to LDH, A.B. may have violated state law.

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