

Report Highlights

Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) Medicaid Eligibility No. 10

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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. A.B. was included on this list and selected for review by LLA because we determined that A.B. had income from self-employment that was not reported to LDH. LLA initiated this investigative audit to determine if A.B. provided LDH with accurate information to determine her Medicaid eligibility.

What We Found

Recipient Failed to Report All Income and Income Changes to LDH

A.B. failed to report all income and changes in income to LDH. As a result, A.B. received Medicaid coverage from July 2016 through February 2019, after her household income exceeded Medicaid program limits. LDH paid \$19,009 for monthly premiums to Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) on A.B.'s behalf, and the MCOs paid \$4,082 to providers for A.B.'s covered health care services during this time. Had A.B. provided LDH with complete and accurate information, she may have been ineligible to receive Medicaid benefits from July 2016 through February 2019. By failing to provide complete and accurate information to LDH, A.B. may have violated state law.