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Re: Blanket Waiver for October 2024 Medicaid Application Report Card for counties that were impacted by Hurricane Helene

Dear County Director of Social Services:

On September 28, 2024, President Biden approved Governor Roy Cooper's request for a Federal Major Disaster Declaration. The purpose of this letter is to inform that the Division of Health Benefits (DHB) is issuing a blanket waiver for Medicaid Application Report Card failures for the month of October. This blanket waiver is for the following counties that were impacted by Hurricane Helene:

- Alexander (County)
- Alleghany (County)
- Ashe (County)
- Avery (County)
- Buncombe (County)
- Burke (County)
- Caldwell (County)
- Catawba (County)
- Clay (County)
- Cleveland (County)
- Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of North Carolina
- Gaston (County)
- Haywood (County)

- Henderson (County)
- Jackson (County)
- Lincoln (County)
- Macon (County)
- Madison (County)
- McDowell (County)
- Mitchell (County)
- Polk (County)
- Rutherford (County)
- Transylvania (County)
- Watauga (County)
- Wilkes (County)
- Yancey (County)

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Due to counties not able to process October applications in a timely manner, the DHB has determined that this waiver for the month of October 2024 is <u>warranted</u>. Counties impacted by the federal disaster declaration, listed above, do not need to submit any waiver requests.

If you have any questions regarding this material, please contact your <u>Medicaid Operational Support Team (OST) Representative</u>.

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