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MEMORANDUM

TO: DHB Management & State Plan E-mail Subscribers

FROM: Cecilia Williams, State Plan and Amendments Coordinator

SUBJECT: Update to State Plan for Health Benefits (309)

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The following changes were made in the NC Medicaid State Plan Manual. You may view the Plan on DHB's website at <https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/meetings-and-notices/medicaid-state-plan-public-notices>.

SPA 22-0010 (QUALIFYING CLINICAL TRIALS) This State Plan Amendment change allows Medicaid to cover routine patient costs while a beneficiary is in a qualifying clinical trial. The requirement was part of Division CC, Title II, Section 210 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260) (section 210) which amended section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act), by adding to the definition of medical assistance a new benefit at section 1905(a)(30) for routine patient costs for items and services furnished in connection with participation by Medicaid beneficiaries in qualifying clinical trials, subject to further provisions in a new section 1905(gg). NC Medicaid covers routine patient cost, but it is not reflected in the SPA.

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