

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

Notice of Proposed Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA)

SPA 25-D Pharmacy Value Based Purchasing (VBP) Supplemental Rebate Agreement

The State of Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) proposes to submit the following Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Public comment information is at the bottom of this document.

Changes to Medicaid State Plan

Effective on or after January 1, 2025, SPA 25-D will amend Attachment 3.1-A and 3.1-B in order to enter into a pharmacy value-based purchasing supplemental rebate agreement with manufacturers on a voluntary basis. The conditions of the value/outcomes-based contract shall be agreed upon by both the state and manufacturer.

The purpose of this SPA is to participate with CMS on this negotiated agreement with manufacturers in an attempt to get the most advantageous pricing on pharmaceuticals.

Fiscal Impact

Overall, DSS anticipates that this SPA will increase annual aggregate expenditures by approximately \$0 in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025 and \$0 in SFY 2026.

Obtaining SPA Language and Submitting Comments

The proposed SPA is posted on the DSS website at this link: <https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Health-And-Home-Care/Medicaid-State-Plan-Amendments>. The proposed SPA may also be obtained at any DSS resource center, at the Town of Vernon Social Services Department, or upon request from DSS (see below).

To request a copy of the SPA from DSS or to send comments about the SPA, please email: Public.Comment.DSS@ct.gov or write to: Department of Social Services, Medical Policy Unit, 55 Farmington Avenue, 9th Floor, Hartford, CT 06105. Please reference “**SPA 25-D Pharmacy Value Based Purchasing (VBP) Supplemental Rebate Agreement**”.

Anyone may send DSS written comments about this SPA. Written comments must be received by DSS at the above contact information no later than **January 29, 2025**.

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