STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: WYOMING

A. The State permits hospitals to impose cost sharing for non-emergency services furnished in an emergency department for groups of individuals subject to the following conditions:

- The individual has available and accessible an alternate non-emergency services provider with respect to such services;
- The hospital has performed an appropriate medical screening examination under section 1867 of the Act, and has determined that the individual does not have an emergency medical condition;
- Before providing the non-emergency services, the hospital has informed the individual:
  o that it may require payment of specified cost sharing before the service can be provided;
  o of the name and location of an alternate non-emergency services provider that is available and accessible;
  o of the fact that the alternate provider can provide the services without the imposition of the higher cost sharing amount permitted for the inappropriate use of the emergency room (i.e., a lesser co-payment for the service may be allowed and required under section 1916A(a) of the Act at the alternate non-emergency provider); and
  o it can provide a referral to coordinate treatment.

1. Such cost sharing is limited to the following groups of individuals, and the cost sharing amounts or levels indicated, subject to the statutory conditions and maximums indicated in paragraph 2.

2. The exemptions specified under 42 CR 447.53 for exclusion for cost sharing will continue to be applied: recipients under the age of 21, pregnant women, institutionalized individuals, and family planning are exempt from co-payment. Emergency services as defined in 447.53(b)(4) are also exempt.

Groups of Individuals

3. Cost sharing under paragraph 1 shall be subject to the following limitations and conditions.

   a. For individuals with incomes above 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) but at or below 150 percent, cost sharing cannot exceed twice the nominal cost sharing amount under section 1916 of the Act.

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b. Cost sharing can be imposed upon individuals otherwise exempt from alternative cost sharing under section 1916A of the Act, so long as no cost sharing is imposed to receive such care through an outpatient department or alternative health provider, but such cost sharing cannot exceed a nominal amount under section 1916 of the Act.

c. Cost sharing is subject to the aggregate cap of 5 percent of family income per person for premiums and cost sharing under section 1916A of the Act based on a monthly schedule.

d. Cost sharing under this provision is instead of any cost sharing that may be imposed under section 1916A (a) of the Act.

4. Following is a list of hospitals implementing this cost sharing (This list is updated as appropriate):

- Campbell County Memorial Hospital
- Community Hospital
- Converse County Memorial Hospital
- Crook County Medical Services District
- Evanston Regional Hospital
- Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital
- Ivinson Memorial Hospital
- Johnson County Memorial Hospital
- Lander Valley Medical Center
- Memorial Hospital of Carbon County
- Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County
- Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County
- Niobrara Hospital
- North Big Horn Hospital District
- Platte County Memorial Hospital
- Powell Hospital
- Riverton Memorial Hospital
- South Big Horn Critical Access Hospital
- South Lincoln Hospital District
- St. John’s Hospital (aka Teton County Hospital District)
- Star Valley Hospital
- Cheyenne Regional Medical Center
- Memorial Hospital of Laramie County
- Washakie Memorial Hospital
- Weston County Health Services
- West Park Hospital
- Wyoming Behavioral Institute
- Wyoming Medical Center

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