



UPDATE: TEFRA IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE

June 12, 2020

Updated information below in red.

TEFRA Implementation Delayed due to COVID-19 Pandemic

The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) has indicated implementation of a Tax Equity & Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) option under the Medicaid program has been delayed due to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. A TEFRA option will offer Medicaid coverage for children with disabilities who meet institutional level-of-care requirements regardless of parental income. Act 421 of 2019 mandated LDH to submit a plan to implement TEFRA to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on or before June 1, 2020.

COVID-19 has prevented LDH from being able to submit its proposal by the June 1, 2020 timeline. Originally, LDH indicated in a [letter](#) to the Louisiana Legislature it would submit its TEFRA proposal to CMS by January 1, 2021, with a requested implementation date of July 1, 2021. **However, LDH shared in a stakeholder meeting on June 12th the Department intends to submit its CMS request by September 1, 2020 with a requested implementation date of January 1, 2021.**

[Click here](#) to see LDH's updated implementation timeline.

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