

ATTACHMENT 1.2  
UTAH STATE MEDICAID PLAN  
UNDER  
TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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State: \_\_\_\_\_ UTAH \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION, FUNCTION AND ORGANIZATIONAL CHART OF SINGLE STATE AGENCY

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Attached information contains a description of the organization and the functions of the State agency and an organizational chart of the agency.

## UTAH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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### ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS

(For Department Organization Chart, See Exhibit A)

#### A. Department Purpose:

To promote and protect the health, environmental conditions and individual lifestyles which contribute to human health and the prevention of disability and illness of the people of Utah.

#### B. Department Role:

The Utah State Department of Health and its divisions, institutions and functions exist to prevent and resolve the health and environmental problems which adversely affect the health and well-being of the residents of the State.

#### C. Department Functions:

1. Administers and enforces State and Federal health regulations and develops rules and standards as required.
2. Investigates and controls causes of diseases affecting the public health.
3. Develops and carries out reasonable health programs and practices deemed necessary to protect the public health.
4. Receives and administers federal, state and local funds for the support of public health programs.
5. Surveys, licenses and certifies institutions which provide health care services.
6. Administers the State Title XIX (Medicaid) Program and services.
7. Collects, tabulates, and disseminates vital statistics and other health data.
8. Provides statewide medico-legal investigation and data to determine cause of deaths which occur under questionable or unknown circumstances.
9. Administers all other administrative and operational functions of the Department.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

PURPOSE:

The Office of the Executive Director was created to provide overall management and direction for the new Department of Health.

The major objectives of the Executive Director's Office are as follows:

1. To effectively coordinate the activities of the Department of Health with other health-related activities in State Government and the community.
2. To appropriately balance the cost containment and quality of care interests that are a unique part of the Department of Health.
3. To ensure that each of the programs of the Department of Health is functioning efficiently, effectively and economically.
4. To provide leadership to the health community in developing new approaches to improving the health of the citizens of Utah.
5. To develop and implement a State health policy to improve the management of the quality, accessibility and cost of health service to the State and public.

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DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING

PURPOSE

This agency is designated by the Utah Department of Health as the Medical Assistance Unit, which is responsible for administration of the Medicaid program.

FUNCTIONS

The functions of this division include:

1. Managing the Medicaid budget.
2. Managing the Medicaid system for the processing of medical claims and encounter records.
3. Establishment of program policies and standards.
4. Establishment of reimbursement policies based on audit and federal regulations.
5. Managing and monitoring the integrity of medical payments.
6. Managing and monitoring cost sharing activities.
7. Purchasing health insurance in accordance with federal regulations and as authorized by the Utah Legislature.
8. Ensuring provider access.
9. Ensuring compliance with federal statutes and regulations governing Medicaid.

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