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Position Statement on Federal Exemption from the Medicaid Institutions for Mental Diseases (IMD) Exclusion

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States should be offered the opportunity to receive a Federal exemption from the IMD Exclusion for State Hospitals and all Nonprofits over 16 beds, e.g., private hospitals, community residential programs, dual diagnosis residential treatment. To participate in the exemption a state must demonstrate a maintenance of effort (maintain its mental illness and substance abuse expenditures (excludeing medication costs) from all sources, e.g., state's DMH, DPH, DMA, DMR, DOC, DSS, DYS, other) at a level no less than the state's average expenditure over the preceding five years.