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Jason A. Helgerson
State Medicaid Director
Deputy Commissioner
Office of Health Insurance Programs
NYS Department of Health
Corning Tower (OCP - 1211)
Albany, NY 12237

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 14-0014

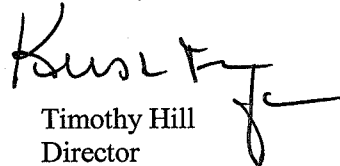
Dear Commissioner Helgerson:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 14-0014. Effective January 1, 2014, this amendment proposes to eliminate the trend factor adjustment for 2014 in the calculation of rates for private psychiatric hospitals.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR Part 447. We have found that the proposed reimbursement methodology complies with applicable requirements and therefore have approved them with an effective date of January 1, 2014. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended approved plan page.

If you have any questions, please contact Tom Brady at (518) 396-3810 or Rob Weaver at (410) 786-5914.

Sincerely,


Timothy Hill
Director

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 14-0014	2. STATE New York
FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE January 1, 2014	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One): <input type="checkbox"/> NEW STATE PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: §1902(a) of the Social Security Act; 14 NYCRR Part 577		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY 01/01/14-09/30/14 (\$ 836,868) b. FFY 10/01/14-09/30/15 (\$ 1,115,825)	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19-A – Part III – Page 2		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): Attachment 4.19-A – Part III – Page 2	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: Article 31 Private Psych Hospitals (FMAP = 50%)			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:		16. RETURN TO:	
13. TYPED NAME: Jason A. Helgerson		New York State Department of Health Bureau of Federal Relations & Provider Assessments 99 Washington Ave – One Commerce Plaza Suite 1460 Albany, NY 12210	
14. TITLE: Medicaid Director Department of Health			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: MAR 31 2014			
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17. DATE RECEIVED:		18. DATE APPROVED: MAR 16 2015	
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: JAN 01 2014		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: <i>[Signature]</i>	
21. TYPED NAME: Kristin Fan		22. TITLE: Deputy Director, FMC	
23. REMARKS:			

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In determining allowable operating costs for any base year there is applied a limitation, which is derived from the fiscal year one year prior to the base year, increased by the Medicare inflation factor for hospitals and units excluded from the prospective payment system. Both the base year and the limitation are subject to an administration cost screen. The administration cost screen is derived from the costs in the fiscal year one year prior to the base year (i.e. the same cost year the limitation is derived from), and is the group average cost plus ten percent. Separate administration cost screens are calculated for hospitals greater than 100 beds (group one), and hospitals less than 100 beds (group two). The allowable costs are the lesser of the base year operating costs or the limitation. The allowable operating costs are then increased for inflation to the rate year by the Medicare inflation factor described above, except that the 1996 Medicaid rates will not include an inflation factor for 1996 effective July 1, 1996, and the 2010 Medicaid rates will not include an inflation factor for 2010 effective January 1, 2010, and the 2014 Medicaid rates will not include an inflation factor for 2014 effective January 1, 2014. Such inflation factor shall be as determined by the Federal Government each year prior to the effective date of the payment rates calculated herein.

Rates of payment in effect on December 31, 2011, will continue in effect for the periods January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, and January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Appeals from rate determinations are heard by the Commissioner. The Commissioner may hear requests for rate revisions which are based on errors in the calculation of the rate or in the data submitted by the facility or based on significant changes in operating costs resulting from changes in services, programs or capital projects approved by the Commissioner in connection with OMH's certificate of need procedures. Revised rates must be certified by the Commissioner and approved by the Director of the Budget.

[1]2. CAPITAL COSTS

[To] [a] Allowable capital cost will be added to allowable operating costs [are added allowable capital costs]. Allowable capital costs are determined by the application of the principles developed for determining reasonable cost payments under the Medicare program. Allowable capital costs include an allowance for depreciation and interest. To be allowable, capital expenditures subject to the Office of Mental Health's certificate of need procedures must be reviewed and approved by the Office of Mental Health.

The allowed capital cost component of the budget based rate will be based upon approved annual budgeted costs and approved budgeted patient days retroactively adjusted to actual certified costs divided by the higher of the actual patient days or the approved budgeted patient days.

Transfer of Ownership

In establishing an appropriate allowance for depreciation and for interest on capital indebtedness with respect to an asset of a hospital which has undergone a change of ownership, that the valuation of the asset after such change of ownership shall be the lesser of the allowable acquisition cost of such asset to the owner of record as of July 18, 1984 (or, in the case of an asset not in existence as of such date, the first owner of record of the asset after such date), or the acquisition cost of such asset to the new owner.

TN #14-0014 Approval Date MAR 16 2013
Supersedes TN #12-0027 Effective Date JAN 01 2014