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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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# Financial Management Group

December 17, 2025

Amir Bassiri Medicaid Director New York State Department of Health 99 Washington Ave – One Commerce Plaza Suite 1432 Albany, NY 12210

RE: TN 25-0057

Dear Medicaid Director Bassiri:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed New York state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-A NY 25-0057, which was submitted to CMS on September 29, 2025. This plan amendment proposes to make updates to the reimbursement methodology of Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTFs) including the patient day utilization requirements, the length of stay (LOS) adjustment and medically necessary services excluded from PRTF reimbursements.

We reviewed your SPA submission for compliance with statutory requirements, including in sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903 as it relates to the identification of an adequate source for the non-federal share of expenditures under the plan, as required by 1902(a)(2) of the Social Security Act and the applicable implementing Federal regulations.

Based upon the information provided by the state, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July 1, 2025. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Kristina Mack at 617-565-1225 or via email at Kristina.Mack-Webb@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Rory Howe Director Financial Management Group

FORM CMS-179 (09/24)

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL	2 5 — 0 0 5 7 N Y
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT XIX XXI
TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  July 01, 2025
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
§ 1905(a)(16) Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital – PRTF	a FFY 07/01/25-09/30/25 \$ 592,257 b. FFY 10/01/25-09/30/26 \$ 2,369,031
7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)
Attachment 4.19-A Part III Pages: 3, 3(b)	Attachment 4.19-A Part III Pages: 3, 3(b)
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT	•
2025 PRTF Methodology Updates	
10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)	
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL	OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:
11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL	15. RETURN TO
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13. TITLE Medicaid Director	Albany, NY 12210
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22. REMARKS	

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## 1905(a)(16) Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital – PRTF

#### **B. PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Medicaid rates for Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities for Children and Youth ("PRTFs") are established prospectively, based upon actual costs and patient days as reported on cost reports for the fiscal year two years prior to the rate year. The PRTF fiscal year and rate year are for the twelve months July 1 through June 30. Alternate Cost Reports will be utilized to align with appealed rate periods until such time that the appealed information would be fully reflected in the facilities annual cost report. Effective on or after July 1, 2025, actual patient days are subject to a maximum utilization of 96 percent and a minimum utilization of 82 percent. The minimum utilization requirements will be waived by the Commissioner of the Office of Mental Health (OMH) if provider visit volume falls below 82% due to public health, natural, or environmental emergencies, or in the case of suspended admissions resulting from an inability to maintain required operational standards. Such reduction in minimum utilization requirements will not be less than 50%.

### 1. OPERATING COSTS

Allowable operating costs are subject to the review and approval of the OMH and effective on or after July 1, 2022, will exclude eligible medically necessary early and periodic screening, diagnostic and treatment (EPSDT) services that are not otherwise included in the PRTF rate when those services are reflected in the youth's plan of care. EPSDT services not provided by the PRTF will be reimbursed directly to the provider of service using the Fee-for-Service Program for Institutional or Non-Institutional payment methods authorized under attachments 4-19-A and 4.19-B of the State Plan and administered by the New York Department of Health commencing on the date the child is determined to be Medicaid eligible. The cost of those EPSDT services provided to the child before the determination of Medicaid eligibility, will be the responsibility of the PRTF and considered an allowable cost in the development of the provider's reimbursement rate for Medicaid PRTF stays. The EPSDT services that are not included in the PRTF rate after Medicaid eligibility is determined, include but are not limited to:

- (i) Specialty physician and physician's assistant nursing services,
- (ii) Specialty services of Nurse Practitioners,
- (iii) Dental services,
- (iv) Eye and low vision services,
- (v) Audiology services,
- (vi) Laboratory and radiology services,
- (vii) Physical therapy services,
- (viii) Durable medical equipment,
- (ix) Prosthetics and orthotics,
- (x) Prescription and physician ordered non-prescription drugs and medical supplies,
- (xi) Inpatient hospital care,
- (xii) Outpatient hospital care,
- (xiii) Emergency room visits,
- (xiv) Urgent Care Center visits,
- (xv) Family planning and reproductive health care services and supplies,
- (xvi) Neuropsychological testing/evaluation services, and
- (xvii) Ambulance transportation services (emergency and non-emergency).

Effective on or after July 1, 2026, the Commissioner of the OMH may waive the exclusion of the above services from the PRTF rate based on a determination that there is inadequate availability of providers of such services accepting reimbursement under the Fee-for-Service Program.

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# New York 3(b)

# 1905(a)(16) Inpatient Psychiatric Hospital - PRTF

On or after July 1, 2022, The State will increase the rates of payment to include necessary costs for additional staff to meet updated programmatic needs and standards, as approved by the OMH, which are not included in the historical cost reports utilized to develop the rates. The new costs to support additional staff, include the following:

- o 5% increase to all provider-specific approved C/DC FTE levels for all PRTFs
- For PRTFs that have not had a staff plan increase or review since 7/1/2020, an additional 26% increase to all provider-specific approved FTE levels
- Addition of 1.0 FTE "Permanency/Family Connections Specialist" per PRTF
- Addition of 1.0 FTE "Intake Specialist" per PRTF
- Doubling of PRTF Transition Coordinator staff by decreasing the staff: client ratio from 1:12 to 1:6

Cost adjustments for prospective staff will be based on OMH approved staffing plans and applicable C/DC standard amounts calculated as described above on page 3(a). The C/DC standard amounts will be trended as described in this section to the appropriate period and added to the applicable cost basis until the Department of Health has determined costs associated with the additional staff are reflected in the cost reports used for rate setting.

For residents admitted on or after July 1, 2026, a length of stay (LOS) adjustment will be applied to the operating component of the rate. The LOS adjustment will be a percentage adjustment to the operating component of the rate determined by the duration of an individual recipient's care episode in accordance with the below chart:

Duration of Individual Recipient's Care Episode:	Percentage Adjustment to Operating Component:
Days 1 – 28	110%
Days 29 – 365	100%
Days 366+	93%

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