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June 28, 2024

Todd McMillion
Director
Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
233 North Michigan Ave, Suite 600
Chicago, IL 60601

RE: SPA #24-0057
Non-Institutional Services

Dear Director McMillion:

The State requests approval of the enclosed amendment #24-0057 to the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to be effective April 1, 2024 (Appendix I). This amendment is being submitted based on enacted legislation. A summary of the plan amendment is provided in Appendix II.

The State of New York reimburses these services through the use of rates that are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care and are sufficient to enlist enough providers so that care and services are available under the plan at least to the extent that such care and services are available to the general population in the geographic area as required by § 1902(a)(30) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR § 447.204.

A copy of pertinent sections of enacted legislation is enclosed for your information (Appendix III). A copy of the public notice of this plan amendment, which was given in the New York State Register on March 27, 2024, is also enclosed for your information (Appendix IV). In addition, responses to the five standard funding questions (Appendix V).

If you have any questions regarding this State Plan Amendment submission, please do not hesitate to contact Regina Deyette, Medicaid State Plan Coordinator, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, Office of Health Insurance Programs at (518) 473-3658.

Sincerely,



Amir Bassiri
Medicaid Director
Office of Health Insurance Programs

Enclosures

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER

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2. STATE

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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

April 1, 2024

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

§ 1905(a)(2)(B) and 1905(a)(2)(C)

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)

a. FFY 04/01/24-09/30/24 \$ 0
b. FFY 10/01/24-09/30/25 \$ 0

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

Attachment 4.19-B: Pages 2(c)(iv)(f), 2(c)(iv)(g)

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)

Attachment 4.19-B: Pages 2(c)(iv)(f), 2(c)(iv)(g)

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

FQHC APM-340B Revision

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

12. TYPED NAME

Amir Bassiri

13. TITLE

Medicaid Director

14. DATE SUBMITTED

June 28, 2024

15. RETURN TO

New York State Department of Health
Division of Finance and Rate Setting
99 Washington Ave – One Commerce Plaza
Suite 1432
Albany, NY 12210

FOR CMS USE ONLY

16. DATE RECEIVED

17. DATE APPROVED

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

22. REMARKS

Appendix I
2024 Title XIX State Plan
Second Quarter Amendment
Amended SPA Pages

**New York
2(c)(iv)(f)**

1905(a)(2)(B) Rural Health Clinic (RHC) Services and 1905(a)(2)(C) Federally Qualified Health Centers(FQHC)

APM: Payment in Addition to Pre-existing PPS Rate

Effective April 1, 2023, eligible Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) will be designated as eligible by the Department to receive the additional payment under this section in order to preserve and improve beneficiary access to care and avoid loss of services in areas of concern.

The Department will routinely review eligible providers under this section and obtain information as it deems necessary to evaluate and determine need and effectiveness of previous payments. In the event of a change of ownership of the entire FQHC or RHC entity, the new owner will retain the most recently approved payment of the former owner.

For eligible providers, the annual amount of the additional payment that will be paid each state fiscal year, which runs April 1st through March 31st, on or before June 30th will be listed in the table which follows and will not be subject to subsequent adjustment or reconciliation. Furthermore, the FQHC/RHC payments made pursuant to this section are considered an alternative payment methodology (APM) and will be made in addition to the FQHC/RHC Prospective Payment System (PPS) rate. The APM will be agreed to by the Department of Health and the FQHC/RHC and will result in payment to the FQHC/RHC of an amount that is at least equal to the PPS rate. FQHCs/RHCs that do not choose an APM will be paid at their PPS per visit rate.

Additional payments have been approved for the following providers for the amounts listed:

Provider Name	Gross APM Payment Amount
Anthony L Jordan Health Center	\$6,515,434.43
APICHA Community Health Center	\$9,800,000.00
Beacon Christian Community Health Center	\$50,000.00
Bedford Stuyvesant Family Hlth Center	\$2,268,696.78
Betances Health Center	\$4,112,760.34
BronxCare Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Health Center	\$6,292,863.53
Brooklyn Plaza Medical Center	\$1,269,587.58
Brownsville Multi-Service Family Health Center	\$6,020,157.32
Care For The Homeless, Inc.	\$1,077,951.00
Community Health Center of Buffalo	\$2,255,800.00
Community Health Center of Richmond, Inc.	\$165,000.00
Community Health Initiatives Inc.	\$424,823.00
Community Healthcare Network	\$6,100,059.42
Cornerstone Family Healthcare	\$3,807,391.81
Cumberland Diagnostic & Treatment Center	\$2,247,276.86

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**New York
2(c)(iv)(g)**

**1905(a)(2)(B) Rural Health Clinic (RHC) Services and 1905(a)(2)(C) Federally
Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)**

Providers (continued)

Provider Name	Gross APM Payment Amount
Damian Family Care Center	\$12,047,724.11
East Harlem Council for Human Services Inc.	\$2,380,215.86
East Hill Family Medical Inc.	\$399,946.08
East NY Diagnostic & Treatment Center	\$3,231,301.64
EHS, Inc.	\$15,251,688.05
Ezras Choilim Health Center Inc.	\$1,132,228.17
Finger Lakes Migrant Health	\$863,409.74
Floating Hospital	\$1,100,000.00
Gouverneur Diagnostic and Treatment Center	\$5,598,364.58
HASC Diagnostic & Treatment Ctr Inc.	\$330,000.00
Healthcare Choices NY, Inc.	\$100,000.00
Hempstead Community Health Center	\$500,000.00
Heritage Health Care	\$3,100,000.00
His Branches Inc	\$173,130.00
Hometown Health Centers	\$2,765,458.17
Housing Works East New York	\$10,805,223.00
Institute for Urban Family Health	\$13,667,424.59
Jericho Road Community Health Center	\$5,230,204.31
Joseph P Addabbo Family Health Center	\$5,759,415.57
<u>La Casa De Salud, Inc.</u>	<u>\$2,540,748.91</u>
Lasante Health Center	\$584,736.43
Long Island Select Healthcare	\$3,889,256.51
L'Refuah Medical & Rehabilitation Center	\$2,404,086.96
Michael Callen-Audre Lorde Community Health Center	\$16,833,184.55
Morris Heights Health Center	\$8,114,863.90
Morrisania Diagnostic & Treatment Center	\$1,886,219.55
Neighborhood Health Center of WNY, Inc.	\$4,945,114.91
Oak Orchard Community Health Center	\$2,559,330.00
ODA Primary Health Care Network, Inc.	\$2,365,531.36
Open Door Family Medical Center, Inc.	\$3,150,473.99
Premium Health	\$1,500,000.00
P-R-O-M-E-S-A Inc.	\$2,540,748.91

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Appendix II
2024 Title XIX State Plan
Second Quarter Amendment
Summary

SUMMARY
SPA #24-0057

This State Plan Amendment proposes to revise the payment eligibility criteria for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) that are eligible for the Alternative Payment Methodology (APM) which provides for an additional payment annually to preserve and improve beneficiary access to care.

Appendix III
2024 Title XIX State Plan
Second Quarter Amendment
Authorizing Provisions

SPA 24-0057

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

AID TO LOCALITIES 2023-24

inpatient services and general hospitals that are safety-net providers that evince severe financial distress, pursuant to criteria determined by the commissioner, shall be eligible for awards for amounts appropriated herein, to enable such providers to maintain operations and vital services while establishing long term solutions to achieve sustainable health services.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the portion of this appropriation covering fiscal year 2023-24 shall supersede and replace any duplicative (i) reappropriation for this item covering fiscal year 2023-24, and (ii) appropriation for this item covering fiscal year 2023-24 set forth in chapter 53 of the laws of 2022 (26947) 1,735,474,000

For services and expenses of the medical assistance program including hospital outpatient and emergency room services.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the portion of this appropriation covering fiscal year 2023-24 shall supersede and replace any duplicative (i) reappropriation for this item covering fiscal year 2023-24, and (ii) appropriation for this item covering fiscal year 2023-24 set forth in chapter 53 of the laws of 2022 (26948) 717,861,000

For services and expenses of the medical assistance program including clinic services.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the portion of this appropriation covering fiscal year 2023-24 shall supersede and replace any duplicative (i) reappropriation for this item covering fiscal year 2023-24, and (ii) appropriation for this item covering fiscal year 2023-24 set forth in chapter 53 of the laws of 2022 (26949) 1,082,001,000

For services and expenses of the medical assistance program including nursing home services.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the portion of this appropriation covering fiscal year 2023-24 shall supersede and replace any duplicative (i) reappropriation for this item covering

Appendix IV
2024 Title XIX State Plan
Second Quarter Amendment
Public Notice

The estimated net aggregate increase in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2024-2025 is \$18 million.

Effective on April 1, 2024, conflicts of interest between Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) CDPAP Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs) and Licensed Home Care Service Agencies (LHCSAs) will be eliminated.

Effective on October 1, 2024, consumer self-direction will be required in the CDPAP program, and proposed regulation authority relating to quality-of-care standards and labor protections for the CDPAP and Personal Care programs shall take effect.

Effective on or after January 1, 2025, FI procurement will be repealed and replaced with an authorization process.

Effective on or after April 1, 2025, conflicts of interest between CDPAP Fis, Managed Long-term Care Plans (MLTCs), and Health Maintenance Organizations will be eliminated.

The estimated net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2025 is (\$200 million) and for state fiscal year 2026 is (\$400 million).

Long Term Care Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2024, the case mix adjustment from the operating component of the rates for skilled nursing facilities shall remain unchanged from the July 2023 rates during the development and until full implementation of a new case mix methodology in accordance with Federal acuity data.

There is no estimated change to gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of this proposed amendment.

Effective on or after April 1, 2024 and each SFY thereafter, the Department proposes to reduce funding associated with residential health care facilities' capital reimbursement by 10 percent.

The estimated net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2024-2025 is (\$57 million).

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

For the New York City district, copies will be available at the following places:

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Bronx, New York 10457

Richmond County, Richmond Center
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Staten Island, New York 10301

For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432, Albany, NY 12210, spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for Long Term Care Services as authorized by § 2826 of New York Public Health Law. The following changes are proposed:

Long Term Care Service

Effective on or after April 1, 2024, the Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for long term care services related to temporary rate adjustments to long term care providers that are undergoing closure, merger, consolidation, acquisition or restructuring themselves or other health care providers. These payments are authorized by current State statutory and regulatory provisions. The temporary rate adjustments will be reviewed and approved by the CINERGY Collaborative.

The estimated net aggregate increase in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2024-2025 is \$30 million.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to comply with statutory provisions. The following changes are proposed:

Non-Institutional Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2024, this amendment proposes to revise the payment eligibility criteria, for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs), that are eligible for the Alternative Payment Methodology (APM) which provides for an additional payment annually to preserve and improve beneficiary

access to care. In the event of a change of ownership of the entire FQHC or RHC entity that was eligible for a payment under this APM, the new owner will retain the most recently approved payment of the former owner.

There is no estimated change to the annual gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of this proposed amendment.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department’s website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to comply with NYS Social Services Law Section 365-a (2)(kk). The following changes are proposed:

Non-Institutional Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2024, NYS Medicaid will reimburse Federally Qualified Health Centers a separate payment in lieu of the Prospective Payment System Rate for services rendered by Community Health Workers when it is the only service provided.

The estimated net aggregate increase in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2024-2025 is \$386,622.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department’s website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR section 447.205, the Office of Mental Health and the Department of Health hereby give public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for institutional services as authorized by § 2826 of the New York Public Health Law. The following changes are proposed:

Institutional Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2024, this proposal relates to temporary rate adjustments to Article 28 Hospitals that are undergoing a closure, merger, consolidation, acquisition or restructuring of themselves or other health care providers.

Additional temporary rate adjustments have been reviewed and approved for the following hospitals:

- Glens Falls Hospital, Inc.

The aggregate payment amounts total up to \$3,695,809 for the period April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025.

The aggregate payment amounts total up to \$3,627,515 for the period April 1, 2025, through March 31, 2026.

The aggregate payment amounts total up to \$2,355,120 for the period April 1, 2026, through March 31, 2027.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment. Copies of which will be available for public review on the Department of Health’s website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status.

Copies of the proposed State Plan Amendments will be on file in each local (county) social services district and available for public review.

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Appendix V
2024 Title XIX State Plan
Second Quarter Amendment
Responses to Standard Funding Questions

NON-INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES
State Plan Amendment #24-0057

CMS Standard Funding Questions

The following questions are being asked and should be answered in relation to all payments made to all providers reimbursed pursuant to a methodology described in Attachment 4.19-B of the state plan.

- 1. Section 1903(a)(1) provides that Federal matching funds are only available for expenditures made by States for services under the approved State plan. Do providers receive and retain the total Medicaid expenditures claimed by the State (includes normal per diem, supplemental, enhanced payments, other) or is any portion of the payments returned to the State, local governmental entity, or any other intermediary organization? If providers are required to return any portion of payments, please provide a full description of the repayment process. Include in your response a full description of the methodology for the return of any of the amount or percentage of payments that are returned and the disposition and use of the funds once they are returned to the State (i.e., general fund, medical services account, etc.)**

Response: Providers receive and retain 100 percent of total Medicaid expenditures claimed by the State and the State does not require any provider to return any portion of such payments to the State, local government entities, or any other intermediary organization.

- 2. Section 1902(a)(2) provides that the lack of adequate funds from local sources will not result in lowering the amount, duration, scope, or quality of care and services available under the plan. Please describe how the state share of each type of Medicaid payment (normal per diem, supplemental, enhanced, other) is funded. Please describe whether the state share is from appropriations from the legislature to the Medicaid agency, through intergovernmental transfer agreements (IGTs), certified public expenditures (CPEs), provider taxes, or any other mechanism used by the state to provide state share. Note that, if the appropriation is not to the Medicaid agency, the source of the state share would necessarily be derived through either an IGT or CPE. In this case, please identify the agency to which the funds are appropriated. Please provide an estimate of total expenditure and State share amounts for each type of Medicaid payment. If any of the non-federal share is being provided using IGTs or CPEs, please fully describe the matching arrangement including when the state agency receives the transferred amounts from the local government entity transferring the funds. If CPEs are used, please describe the methodology used by the state to verify that the total expenditures being certified are eligible for Federal matching funds in accordance with 42 CFR 433.51(b). For any payment funded by CPEs or IGTs, please provide the following:**
 - (i) a complete list of the names of entities transferring or certifying funds;**
 - (ii) the operational nature of the entity (state, county, city, other);**

- (iii) the total amounts transferred or certified by each entity;
- (iv) clarify whether the certifying or transferring entity has general taxing authority; and,
- (v) whether the certifying or transferring entity received appropriations (identify level of appropriations).

Response: The Non-Federal share Medicaid provider payment is funded by a combination of the following funds/funding sources through enacted appropriations authority to the Department of Health (DOH) for the New York State Medicaid program.

Payment Type	Non-Federal Share Funding	4/1/24 – 3/31/25	
		Non-Federal	Gross
Supplemental	General Fund	\$135M	\$270M

A. **General Fund:** Revenue resources for the State’s General Fund includes taxes (e.g., income, sales, etc.), and miscellaneous fees (including audit recoveries). Medicaid expenditures from the State’s General Fund are authorized from Department of Health Medicaid.

- 1) New York State Audit Recoveries: The Department of Health collaborates with the Office of the Medical Inspector General (OMIG) and the Office of the Attorney General (AG) in recovering improperly expended Medicaid funds. OMIG conducts and coordinates the investigation, detection, audit, and review of Medicaid providers and recipients to ensure they are complying with all applicable laws and regulation. OMIG recovers any improper payments through cash collections and voided claim recoveries. Cash collections are deposited into the State’s General Fund to offset Medicaid costs.

In addition to cash collections, OMIG finds inappropriately billed claims within provider claims. To correct an error, OMIG and DOH process the current accurate claim, and reduce this claim by the inappropriate claim value to recoup the previous overclaim and decrease state spending.

3. **Section 1902(a)(30) requires that payments for services be consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care. Section 1903(a)(1) provides for Federal financial participation to States for expenditures for services under an approved State plan. If supplemental or enhanced payments are made, please provide the total amount for each type of supplemental or enhanced payment made to each provider type.**

Response: The Medicaid payments authorized under this State Plan Amendment are supplemental payments and total \$270 million for State Fiscal Year 2024-25.

	Private	State Government	Non-State Government	4/1/24-3/31/25 Total
Supplemental	\$254.4M	\$0	\$15.6M	\$270M

4. For clinic or outpatient hospital services please provide a detailed description of the methodology used by the state to estimate the upper payment limit (UPL) for each class of providers (state owned or operated, non-state government owned or operated, and privately owned or operated). Please provide a current (i.e., applicable to the current rate year) UPL demonstration. Under regulations at 42 CFR 447.272, States are prohibited from setting payment rates for Medicaid inpatient services that exceed a reasonable estimate of the amount that would be paid under Medicare payment principals.

Response: The Medicaid payments authorized under this State Plan Amendment do not impact the UPL demonstrations.

5. Does any governmental provider receive payments that in the aggregate (normal per diem, supplemental, enhanced, other) exceed their reasonable costs of providing services? If payments exceed the cost of services, do you recoup the excess and return the Federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report?

Response: Providers do not receive payments that in the aggregate exceed their reasonable costs of providing services. If any providers received payments that in the aggregate exceeded their reasonable costs of providing services, the State would recoup the excess and return the Federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report.

ACA Assurances:

1. **Maintenance of Effort (MOE).** Under section 1902(gg) of the Social Security Act (the Act), as amended by the Affordable Care Act, as a condition of receiving any Federal payments under the Medicaid program during the MOE period indicated below, the State shall not have in effect any eligibility standards, methodologies, or procedures in its Medicaid program which are more restrictive than such eligibility provisions as in effect in its Medicaid program on March 10, 2010.

MOE Period.

- **Begins on:** March 10, 2010, and
- **Ends on:** The date the Secretary of the Federal Department of Health and Human Services determines an Exchange established by a State under the provisions of section 1311 of the Affordable Care Act is fully operational.

Response: This SPA complies with the conditions of the MOE provision of section 1902(gg) of the Act for continued funding under the Medicaid program.

2. Section 1905(y) and (z) of the Act provides for increased FMAPs for expenditures made on or after January 1, 2014 for individuals determined eligible under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Act. Under section 1905(cc) of the Act, the increased FMAP under sections 1905(y) and (z) would not be available for States that require local political subdivisions to contribute amounts toward the

non-Federal share of the State's expenditures at a greater percentage than would have been required on December 31, 2009.

Prior to January 1, 2014 States may potentially require contributions by local political subdivisions toward the non-Federal share of the States' expenditures at percentages **greater than** were required on December 31, 2009. **However**, because of the provisions of section 1905(cc) of the Act, it is important to determine and document/flag any SPAs/State plans which have such greater percentages prior to the January 1, 2014 date in order to **anticipate potential violations and/or appropriate corrective actions** by the States and the Federal government.

Response: This SPA would [] / would **not** [✓] violate these provisions, if they remained in effect on or after January 1, 2014.

3. Please indicate whether the State is currently in conformance with the requirements of section 1902(a)(37) of the Act regarding prompt payment of claims.

Response: The State complies with the requirements of section 1902(a)(37) of the Act regarding prompt payment of claims.

Tribal Assurance:

Section 1902(a)(73) of the Social Security Act the Act requires a State in which one or more Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations furnish health care services to establish a process for the State Medicaid agency to seek advice on a regular ongoing basis from designees of Indian health programs whether operated by the Indian Health Service HIS Tribes or Tribal organizations under the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act ISDEAA or Urban Indian Organizations under the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

IHCIA Section 2107(e)(I) of the Act was also amended to apply these requirements to the Children's Health Insurance Program CHIP. Consultation is required concerning Medicaid and CHIP matters having a direct impact on Indian health programs and Urban Indian organizations.

- a) Please describe the process the State uses to seek advice on a regular ongoing basis from federally recognized tribes Indian Health Programs and Urban Indian Organizations on matters related to Medicaid and CHIP programs and for consultation on State Plan Amendments waiver proposals waiver extensions waiver amendments waiver renewals and proposals for demonstration projects prior to submission to CMS.
- b) Please include information about the frequency inclusiveness and process for seeking such advice.
- c) Please describe the consultation process that occurred specifically for the development and submission of this State Plan Amendment when it occurred and who was involved.

Response: Tribal consultation was performed in accordance with the State's tribal consultation policy as approved in SPA 17-0065, and documentation of such is included with this submission. To date, no feedback has been received from any tribal representative in response to the proposed change in this SPA.