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State/Territory Name: Colorado

State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 21-0010

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September 24, 2021

Kim Bimestefer, Executive Director  
Department of Health Care Policy & Financing  
1570 Grant Street  
Denver, CO 80203

RE: Colorado State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0010

Dear Ms. Bimestefer:

We have reviewed the State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number 21-0010. This amendment extends the adult dental benefit maximum of $1,500, which expired on March 31, 2021 and was reduced to $1,000 beginning April 1, 2021, indefinitely.

Please be informed that this SPA was approved on September 23, 2021, with an effective date of April 1, 2021. Enclosed are the CMS-179 and the amended plan pages.

Should you have any questions about this amendment, please contact Curtis Volesky at (303) 844-7033.

Sincerely,

James G. Scott, Director  
Division of Program Operations

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TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL

FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION:
TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:
April 1, 2021

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):
NEW STATE PLAN
AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS A NEW PLAN
AMENDMENT

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT 1905(a)(10) / 42 CFR 440.100

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2020-21: $4,094,136
b. FFY 2021-22: $8,188,272

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:
Supplement to Attachment 3.1-A – Limitations to Care and Services – Item 10 – Dental Services
Attachment 4.19-B – Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates-Other Types of Care – Item 10 – Dental Services – Page 1 of 3

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):
Supplement to Attachment 3.1-A – Limitations to Care and Services – Item 10 – Dental Services (TN 19-0015)
Attachment 4.19-B – Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates-Other Types of Care – Item 10 – Dental Services – Page 1 of 3 (TN 20-0032-A)

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:
Extend the adult dental benefit maximum of $1,500, which expired on March 31, 2021 and was reduced to $1,000 beginning April 1, 2021, indefinitely.

11. GOVERNOR’S REVIEW (Check One):
GOVERNOR’S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
X OTHER, AS SPECIFIED
COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR’S OFFICE ENCLOSED
NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

Governor’s letter dated 11 October, 2019

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:
Tracy Johnson

14. TITLE:
Medicaid Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED: June 29, 2021

16. RETURN TO:
Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing
1570 Grant Street
Denver, CO 80203-1818

Attn: Amy Winterfeld

17. DATE RECEIVED
June 29, 2021

18. DATE APPROVED
September 23, 2021

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
April 1, 2021

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL
Digitally signed by James G. Scott -S
Date:2021.09.24 11:42:32 -05'00'

21. TYPED NAME:
James G. Scott

22. TITLE:
Director, Division of Program Operations

23. REMARKS
Corrected superseded TN in box 9 as authorized by state.
STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

STATE OF COLORADO

Supplement to Attachment 3.1-A

LIMITATIONS TO CARE AND SERVICES

10 Dental Services

Dental services for adults age 21 and over are limited to the following categories of service and may require prior authorization:

a. Routine diagnostic and preventive services:
   1. Prophylaxis
      i. Adult cleaning, two per twelve months
   2. Examinations
   3. Radiographs
      i. Bitewings, one set (2-4 films) per twelve months.
      ii. Intra-oral; complete series, one per sixty months.
      iii. Panoramic image; with or without bitewings, one per sixty months.

b. Restorative services

c. Endodontic services

d. Periodontal services

For clients under 21 years of age, dental services are provided in accordance with the Early, Periodic, Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) service category. See Supplement to Attachment 3.1-A, section 4b.

Dental services for adults 21 years of age and older, except for services for the immediate relief of severe pain, alleviation of acute infection, or necessary because of trauma, are limited to a total of $1,500 per adult Medicaid recipient per state fiscal year. Medically necessary services reimbursed under the Medical and Surgical Services Furnished by a Dentist benefit at Attachment 4.19-B, Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Other Types of Care, Item 5.b. Medical and Surgical Services Furnished by a Dentist, are not subject to the $1,500 limitation.

TN No: 21-0010
Supersedes TN No. 20-0032-A
Approval Date September 23, 2021
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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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ATTACHMENT 4.19-B
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METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES –
OTHER TYPES OF CARE

10. Dental Services

a. Dental services for adults age 21 and over shall be reimbursed at the lower of the following:

1. Submitted charges or
2. Dental services fee schedule as determined by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

b. Dental services for adults accessing services through the state’s Home and Community-Based Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (HCBS-DD) and Supported Living Services (HCBS-SLS) waivers shall be based on a separate fee schedule found on the official website of the Department of the Health Care Policy and Financing at www.colorado.gov/hcpf.

c. Dental services for adults 21 years of age and older, except for services for the immediate relief of severe pain, alleviation of acute infection, or necessary because of trauma, are limited to a total of $1,500 per adult Medicaid recipient per state fiscal year. Dentures (see 4.19-B section 12.b) are not subject to this $1,500 limitation and are available to clients when medically necessary. Medically necessary services reimbursed under the Medical and Surgical Services Furnished by a Dentist benefit at Attachment 4.19-B, Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Other Types of Care, Item 5.b. Medical and Surgical Services Furnished by a Dentist, are not subject to the $1,500 limitation.

Except as otherwise noted in the State Plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers. The rates are effective for services on or after the date listed on the Attachment 4.19-B Introduction Page.