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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services
233 North Michigan Ave., Suite 600
Chicago, Illinois 60601



Financial Management Group

August 24, 2021

Mr. Drew Snyder, Executive Director
Mississippi Division of Medicaid
Attention: Margaret Wilson
550 High Street, Suite 1000
Jackson, MS 39201-1399

RE: Mississippi State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 21-0032

Dear Mr. Snyder:

We have reviewed the proposed Mississippi State Plan Amendment (SPA), which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on June 30, 2021. This plan amendment will allow the Division of Medicaid (DOM) to 1) set the fees for dental and orthodontic services the same as those effective for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021, except for a five percent (5%) rate increase for diagnostic and preventative services in SFY 2022, 2023 and 2024, and 2) remove the five percent (5%) reimbursement reduction for all other dental services effective July 1, 2021.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July 1, 2021. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan page.



If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Moe Wolf at 410-786-9291 or Moshe.Wolf@CMS.HHS.gov.

Sincerely,

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of Todd McMillion.

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

Enclosures

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 21-0032	2. STATE MS
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE July 1, 2021	
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: 42 C.F.R. § 447.201		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: FFY 2021: \$774,984 FFY 2022: \$5,219,489	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19-B, Page 10		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): Attachment 4.19-B, Page 10	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0032 is being submitted to allow the Division of Medicaid (DOM) to 1) set the fees for dental and orthodontic services the same as those effective for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021, except for a five percent (5%) rate increase for diagnostic and preventative services in SFY 2022, 2023 and 2024, and 2) remove the five percent (5%) reimbursement reduction for all other dental services effective July 1, 2021.			
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: Drew L. Snyder Miss. Division of Medicaid Attn: Margaret Wilson 550 High Street, Suite 1000 Jackson, MS 39201-1399	
13. TYPED NAME: Drew L. Snyder			
14. TITLE: Executive Director			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: JUN 30 2021			
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17. DATE RECEIVED: June 30, 2021		18. DATE APPROVED: August 24, 2021	
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: July 1, 2021		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: 	
21. TYPED NAME: Todd McMillion		22. TITLE: Director, Division of Reimbursement Review	
23. REMARKS:			

State of Mississippi
Methods and Standards For Establishing Payment Rates-Other Types of Care

Dental and Orthodontic Services - Payment for dental services is the lesser of:

1. The provider's usual and customary charge,
2. A fee from the Mississippi Medicaid statewide uniform dental fee schedule in effect July 1, 2018.
3. The fiftieth (50th) percentile fee reflected in the 2019 National Dental Advisory Service (NDAS) Fee Report, or
4. The fiftieth (50th) percentile fee reflected in the most current NDAS Fee Report for any new dental or orthodontic services not previously priced.

Once a dental or orthodontic service has been assigned a fee using the methodology above, that dental or orthodontic service will not be repriced. When a dental or orthodontic services Current Dental Terminology (CDT) code is discontinued and replaced with a new CDT code, the new CDT code will not be repriced. All fees are published on the Division of Medicaid's website at <https://medicaid.ms.gov/providers/fee-schedules-and-rates/>.

Except as otherwise noted in the state plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of dental services. Effective as of July 1, 2021 all rates and/or fees for services will remain the same as those in effect for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021, except for diagnostic and preventative services. Diagnostic and preventative services will increase in each of the SFY 2022, 2023 and 2024 by five percent (5%) above the amount of the reimbursement rate for the previous SFY.

Medically necessary dental services for EPSDT-eligible beneficiaries which exceed the scope for Medicaid beneficiaries as covered in this Plan are reimbursed according to the methodology in the above paragraphs.