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Financial Management Group

August 4, 2021

Ms. Meg Sneed, Acting Secretary
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Department of Human Services
Office of Medical Assistance Programs
PO Box 2675
Harrisburg, PA 17105-2675

RE: State Plan Amendment 21-0012

Dear Ms. Sneed:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 21-0012. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-A of Pennsylvania’s Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the SPA authorizes a new class of supplemental payments to facilities that treat a high volume of opioid use disorder patients in their emergency rooms.

We conducted our review of this SPA according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(3), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a), and 1923 of the Social Security Act (the Act) and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are approving state plan amendment 21-0012 effective May 23, 2021. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan pages.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please call Gary Knight at (304) 347-5723.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

For
Rory Howe
Acting Director

Enclosures
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

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

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION
42 CFR 447 Subpart C

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT
a. FFY2020 $0
b. FFY2021 $5,613,000

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT
Attachment 4.19A, Page 21jj

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)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

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

Additional Class of Supplemental Payments to Qualifying Hospitals

11. 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

Review and approval authority has been delegated to the Department of Human Services

12. SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL

13. TYPED NAME
M. Sneed

14. TITLE
Acting Secretary of Human Services

15. DATE SUBMITTED
May 25, 2021

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17. DATE RECEIVED
May 26, 2021

18. DATE APPROVED
8/4/21

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
May 23, 2021

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL

21. TYPED NAME
Rory Howe

22. TITLE
Acting Director, Financial Management Group

23. REMARKS

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ADDITIONAL CLASS OF SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS TO QUALIFYING HOSPITALS

The Department of Human Services (Department) will make supplemental payments to qualifying hospitals that treat a high volume of opioid use disorder (OUD) patients in their emergency rooms. These payments are intended to provide funding to expand research and treatment protocols for combating opioid addiction.

A hospital is eligible for these supplemental payments if the hospital meets all the criteria below. Unless otherwise stated, the source of the information is the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2017 MA-336 Hospital Cost Report, as available to the Department on October 29, 2019.

a) The hospital is enrolled in the Pennsylvania Medical Assistance (MA) Program as an acute care general hospital, licensed by Pennsylvania’s Department of Health;

b) The hospital provided at least 150,000 total inpatient acute care days;

c) The hospital provided greater than 60,000 inpatient acute care days of care, both fee-for-service (FFS) and managed care combined, to MA beneficiaries; and,

d) The hospital treated at least 1,000 OUD patients in the emergency room in calendar year 2019, as determined for purposes of the OUD Quality Improvement Program, using encounter data compiled by the Department for the FY 2019-2020 OUD Quality Improvement Program as of December 10, 2020.

Payments will be divided proportionately among qualified hospitals based on each hospital’s FFS Pennsylvania MA inpatient acute care days to total FFS Pennsylvania MA inpatient acute care days for all qualifying hospitals.

For FY 2020-2021, the Department will allocate an annualized amount of $45.988 million in total funds for these supplemental payments.