



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Region 10
2201 Sixth Avenue, MS/RX 43
Seattle, Washington 98121

SEP 06 2011

Douglas Porter, Director
Health Care Authority
Post Office Box 45502
Olympia, Washington 98504-5502

RE: Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 11-021

Dear Mr. Porter:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 11-021.

This amendment updates the Professional Service Supplemental Payment Upper Payment Limit (UPL) demonstration. With this SPA, services paid at an already enhanced rate will be removed from the demonstration, the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA) calculation is further defined and bi-lateral claims are excluded. The supplemental payment will be paid for professional services performed by qualified, licensed professionals. The purpose of the supplemental payment program is to ensure access to essential professional services for Medicaid beneficiaries through care provided by qualified hospitals.

This SPA is approved effective June 1, 2011, as requested by the State.

CMS appreciates the significant amount of work that your staff dedicated to getting this SPA approved and the cooperative way in which we achieved this much-desired outcome. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact me, or have your staff contact Mary Jones at (360) 486-0243 or Mary.Jones2@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Carol J.C. Peverly
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health
Operations

cc: Susan Dreyfus, Secretary, Department of Social and Health Services

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
11-21

2. STATE
Washington

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

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

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
June 1, 2011

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:

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2012 (\$8072)
b. FFY 2013 (\$24,211)

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION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

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10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

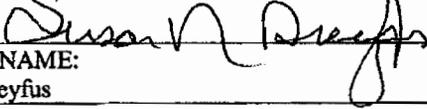
Professional Services Supplemental Payments

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

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Exempt

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:



13. TYPED NAME:
Susan N. Dreyfus

14. TITLE:
Secretary

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

June 28, 2011

16. RETURN TO:

Ann Myers
Department of Social and Health Services
Medicaid Purchasing Administration
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17. DATE RECEIVED: June 28, 2011

18. DATE APPROVED:

SEP 06 2011

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

JUN 01 2011

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:



21. TYPED NAME:

CAROL J.C. PEVERLY

22. TITLE:

Associate Regional Administrator

23. REMARKS:

Division of Medicaid &
Children's Health

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE WASHINGTON

XIX. Supplemental Payments for Certain Professional Services

A. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, effective July 1, 2009, supplemental payments will be paid according to this subsection for professional services performed by qualified licensed professionals. The exceptions to this are:

- Trauma center professional services, which will continue to be paid as described in subsection III.D above; and
- Services paid at an enhanced rate through a separate provision or regulation.

The purpose of the supplemental payments is to ensure access to essential professional services for Medicaid beneficiaries through the care provided by the University of Washington Medicine and the University of Washington School of Medicine, and at public hospitals or other public entities.

Qualified licensed professionals include physicians, physician assistants, advanced nurse practitioners, certified registered nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, psychiatrists, psychologists, speech-language pathologists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, podiatrists, optometrists, social workers, dentists, audiologists, chemical dependency counselors, mental health professionals, opticians, and nutritionists who are eligible to receive payment for professional services under the state's approved Medicaid program, who are:

1. Licensed by the State of Washington, where applicable;
2. Enrolled as a State of Washington Medicaid provider; and
3. Either:
 - (a) Employed by the University of Washington and/or a member of its affiliated physician practice plans; or
 - (b) Employed by a public hospital or other public entity, when the public entity elects to participate.

B. A supplemental payment will be made for services provided by qualified licensed professionals and billed by a component or affiliate of the University of Washington or another public entity, including a public hospital, equal to the difference between the Medicaid payments otherwise made for the services and payments at the Average Commercial Rate. Only the professional component of a procedure is eligible for a supplemental payment. Payment will be made quarterly and will not be made prior to the delivery of services.