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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 18-0011

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Regional Operations Group

March 19, 2019

Kathy Stiffler, Acting State Medicaid Director
Medical Services Administration
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
400 South Pine Street, P.O. Box 30479
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7979

ATTN: Erin Black

Dear Ms. Stiffler:

Enclosed for your records is an approved copy of the following State Plan Amendment:

- Transmittal #: 18-0011: Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Effective Date: December 1, 2018
- Approval Date: March 19, 2019

If you have any questions, please contact Keri Toback at (312) 353-1754 or keri.toback@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/
Ruth A. Hughes
Deputy Director
Centers for Medicaid and CHIP Services
Regional Operations Group

cc: Erin Black, MDHHS

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL
FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 18 - 0011	2. STATE: Michigan
3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID) TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE December 1, 2018	

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF 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 410.76

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2019 \$0
b. FFY 2020 \$0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:
**Supplemental to Attachment 3.1-A Page 17
Attachment 4.19-B Page 1
Attachment 4.19-B Page 1a
Attachment 4.19-B Page 5a, 5b, 5b.1**

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (*If Applicable*):
**Supplemental to Attachment 3.1-A Page 17
Attachment 4.19-B Page 1
Attachment 4.19-B Page 1a
Attachment 4.19-B Page 5a, 5b**

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

This SPA will provide authority to reimburse for medically necessary professional services provided by an advanced practice nurse with the specialty of clinical nurse specialist granted by the Michigan Board of Nursing.

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:
**Kathleen Stiffler, Acting Director
Medical Services Administration**

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:
Kathleen Stiffler

14. TITLE:
Acting Director, Medical Services Administration

15. DATE SUBMITTED:
November 8, 2018

16. RETURN TO:

**Medical Services Administration
Actuarial Division - Federal Liaison
Capitol Commons Center - 7th Floor
400 South Pine
Lansing, Michigan 48933**

Attn: Erin Black

FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED:

November 8, 2018

18 DATE APPROVED:

March 19, 2019

PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:
December 1, 2018

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:
/s/

21. TYPE NAME:

Ruth A. Hughes

22. TITLE:

Deputy Director

23. REMARKS:

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State of Michigan

***Amount, Duration and Scope of Medical and Remedial Care
Services Provided to the Categorically and Medically Needy***

6. Medical Care Furnished by Practitioners within the Scope of their Practice as Defined by State Law (continued)

b. Optometry Services:

- i) Covered services as limited by the department, are those provided to individuals under the EPSDT program.
- ii) Covered for beneficiaries 21 years of age and older are limited to those services relating to eye trauma and eye disease and low vision evaluations, services and aids (which must be prior authorized).
- iii) Vision/Optomtrist Services are covered for adults. Certain services and supplies may be subject to meeting stipulated criteria and/or prior authorization. Routine eye exam once every two years; non-routine exams limited to those services relating to eye trauma and eye disease and low vision evaluations, services and aids (which must be prior authorized). Authorization required in excess of limitation.

c. Chiropractor Services:

Covered services are limited to those allowed under the Chiropractor's scope of practice as defined by state law. Chiropractic benefits are limited to 18 visits per calendar year. Chiropractic services are limited to spinal manipulation. Benefit includes one set of spinal x-rays per beneficiary, per year. Authorization required in excess of limitation.

d. Other Practitioner Services:

~ Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS)

Services provided by registered nurses certified by the Michigan Board of Nursing as clinical nurse specialists are covered in the inpatient and outpatient setting. Covered services are limited to those allowed under the CNS' scope of practice as defined by State law.

~ Certified Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs)

Services provided by registered nurses certified by the council on Certification of Nurse Anesthetists or re-certified by the Council on Re-certification of Nurse Anesthetists are covered. Services are limited to those provided on an inpatient or outpatient basis and reimbursement is directed through to the provider or the provider's employer.

~ Registered/Licensed Dental Hygienists (RDHs)

Services provided by registered dental Hygienists (RDHs) are covered when those services are rendered on behalf of an organization, clinic or group practice. Covered services are limited to those allowed under the RDH's scope of practice as defined by State law. Prior authorization is generally not required. However, authorization required in excess of limitation.

TN NO.: 18-0011

Approval Date: 3/19/19

Effective Date: 12/01/2018

Supersedes

TN No: 16-0003

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State of MICHIGAN

***Policy and Methods for Establishing Payment Rates
(Other than Inpatient Hospital and Long Term Care Facilities)***

1. Physician Services

Payment rates are established by the Medical Services Administration and are designed to enlist the participation of an adequate number of providers. The Medicare prevailing fees, the Resource Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS) and other relative value information, other state Medicaid fee screens, and providers' charges may be utilized as guidelines or reference in determining the maximum payment rates for individual services.

Providers are reimbursed the lesser of the Medicaid payment rate or the provider's usual and customary charge minus any third-party payment. The provider's usual and customary charge is the fee most frequently charged to patients. The payment rate is uniform for private and governmental providers.

Except as otherwise specified in the State Plan, payment rates are established utilizing the following methodology: annual January RBRVS values multiplied by the statewide conversion factor of \$21.53 less 8%. This payment rate methodology is effective for dates of service on or after 12/1/2018.

The rates calculated using the above methodology are published in the practitioner fee schedule on the State's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

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Payment adjustments will be made for practitioner services provided through the following public entities:

- University of Michigan Health System
- Wayne State University
- Hurley Hospital
- Michigan State University
- Oakland University
- Western Michigan University
- Central Michigan University

Adjustments apply to dates of service on or after April 1, 2006. Beginning January 1, 2011, Oakland University will be eligible for pricing adjustments under this program. Beginning July 1, 2012, Western Michigan University will be eligible for pricing adjustments under this program. Beginning January 1, 2013, Central Michigan University will be eligible for pricing adjustments under this program. Eligibility for these adjustments is limited to individual practitioners or practitioner groups designated by the public entities. Service provided by the following practitioners, when not included in facility payments to the public entity, are included:

- Physicians (MD and DO)
- Ophthalmologists
- Oral Surgeons
- Dentists
- Podiatrists
- Physician's Assistants
- Nurse Practitioners
- Clinical Nurse Specialists
- Certified Nurse Midwives
- Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists
- Certified Anesthesiologist Assistants
- Optometrists

Adjustments apply to both public and private practitioners and practitioner groups. Practitioners and practitioner groups are either employees of the public entity or are under a contract with the public entity. All services eligible for the payment adjustment are billed under the federal employer number of the public entity or under the employer identification number of the practitioner/practitioner group. Billings are submitted by the public entity or by the practitioners/ practitioner groups. The Medical Services Administration must concur with the public entity's designations in order for the payment adjustment to be applied.

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12. Medical care furnished by licensed practitioners within the scope of their practice as defined by state law.

Providers are reimbursed the lesser of the Medicaid payment rate or the provider's usual and customary charge minus any third-party payment. The provider's usual and customary charge is the fee most frequently charged to patients. The payment rate is uniform for private and governmental providers.

A. Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of CRNA services. Payment rates are established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

B. Chiropractors

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of chiropractor services. Payment rates are established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

C. Podiatrists

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of podiatrist services. Payment rates are established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

D. Optometrists

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of optometrist services. Payment rates are established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

E. Pharmacists

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of pharmacy services. Payment rates were set as of 4/1/2017 and are effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

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F. Registered/Licensed Dental Hygienists (RDHs)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of dental hygiene services. The payment rate methodology is effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2010. All rates are published on the agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

G. Psychologists

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of behavioral health services. Payment rates are 75% of the rate established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

H. Social Workers

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of behavioral health services. Payment rates are 75% of the rate established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

I. Professional Counselors

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of behavioral health services. Payment rates are 75% of the rate established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

J. Marriage and Family Therapists

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of behavioral health services. Payment rates are 75% of the rate established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

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K. Certified Nurse Practitioners (CNP)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of np services. Payment rates are established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

L. Certified Clinical Nurse Specialists (CNS)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of CNS services. Payment rates are established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

M. Certified Nurse Midwives (CMN)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed payment rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of CNM services. Payment rates are established utilizing the methodology described for physician services. All rates are published on the Agency's website at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.