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**State/Territory Name:** Pennsylvania

**State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: PA-14-0042**

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**Financial Management Group**

**FEB 02 2015**

Ms. Beverly D. Mackereth, Secretary  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Department of Public Welfare  
Office of Medical Assistance Programs  
PO Box 8046  
Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: State Plan Amendment 14-042

Dear Ms. Mackereth:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 14-042. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the amendment continues disproportionate share hospital payments to hospitals with qualifying burn centers.

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 14-042 effective October 12, 2014. We are enclosing the HCFA-179 and the amended plan pages.

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

Sincerely,

/S/

Timothy Hill  
Director

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:  
14-042

2. STATE  
Pennsylvania

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

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

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  
October 12, 2014

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. FFY 2014 \$0.00  
b. FFY 2015 \$4,068,000

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 4.19A, Page 21h

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION  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

Attachment 4.19A, Page 21h

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Additional Payments to Certain Burn Centers

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:

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

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

/s/

13. TYPED NAME: U  
Beverly D. Mackereth

14. TITLE:  
Secretary of Human Services

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

DEC 30, 2014

16. RETURN TO:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Department of Human Services  
Office of Medical Assistance Programs  
Bureau of Policy, Analysis and Planning  
P.O. Box 2675  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

**FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY**

17. DATE RECEIVED:

18. DATE APPROVED:

FEB 02 2015

**PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED**

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

OCT 12 2014

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

/s/

21. TYPED NAME:

Kristen FAN

22. TITLE:

Deputy Director, FMC

23. REMARKS:

ADDITIONAL PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN BURN CENTERS

The Department will make disproportionate share (DSH) payments to certain qualifying Medical Assistance (MA) enrolled acute care general hospital burn centers, hereafter burn centers, to assure readily available and coordinated burn care of the highest quality to the MA population.

To qualify for these DSH payments, the burn center must meet one of the following criteria:

- (1) Is recognized by the American Burn Association and participates in the American Burn Association's, "Burn Center Verification Program" effective July 2006.
- (2) Is certified and accredited as a Level I or Level II Trauma Center by the Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation and has a minimum of 70 annual patient admissions in calendar year 2005, of individuals requiring burn care.

For Fiscal Year 2014-2015, the fiscal impact as a result of this additional class of DSH payments is \$7.850 million (\$3.782 million in State General Funds and an anticipated \$4.068 million in Federal Funds upon approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service (CMS)).

Payments to qualified burn centers will be allocated according to the following:

- (1) 50% of the total amount available for qualifying burn centers will be allocated equally among qualified burn centers.
- (2) 50% of the total amount available for qualified burn centers will be allocated on the basis of each qualified burn center's percentage of MA and uninsured burn cases and patient days compared to the Statewide total number of MA and uninsured burn cases and patient days for all qualified burn centers. Each qualified burn center will use both in-State and out-of-State cases and patient days.
- (3) Any eligible burn center that has reached its DSH limit as pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act shall receive its share of the State fund available under this act.