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**Financial Management Group**

**MAY 04 2015**

Mr. Theodore Dallas, Acting Secretary  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Department of Human Services  
Office of Medical Assistance Programs  
PO Box 2675  
Harrisburg, PA 17110

RE: State Plan Amendment 15-0007

Dear Mr. Dallas:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 15-0007. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the amendment authorizes disproportionate share hospital payments to hospitals promoting access to inpatient hospital services for MA eligible and uninsured persons with cleft palate or craniofacial abnormalities.

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 15-0007 effective April 1, 2015. 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

<b>TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL</b>		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 15-0007	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 April 1, 2015	
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 CFR 447 Subpart C		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY 2014 \$0 b. FFY 2015 \$161,333	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19A, Page 21u		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): Attachment 4.19A, Page 21u	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: Additional Class of Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):			
<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Review and approval authority has been delegated to the Department of Human Services	
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL: /S/		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	
13. TYPED NAME: Theodore Dallas			
14. TITLE: Acting Secretary of Human Services			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: APR - 8 2015			
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED:		18. DATE APPROVED: MAY 04 2015	
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: APR 01 2015		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: /S/	
21. TYPED NAME: Kristin FAN		22. TITLE: Deputy Director, FMC	
23. REMARKS:			

**ADDITIONAL CLASS OF DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE PAYMENTS**

The Department of Human Services (Department) will make disproportionate share (DSH) payments to certain Medical Assistance (MA) acute care general hospitals (hospitals) which, in partnership with an independent facility listed as a Cleft and Craniofacial Team by the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, provide surgical services to patients with cleft palate and craniofacial abnormalities. This payment is intended to promote access to inpatient hospital services for MA eligible and uninsured persons in the Commonwealth with cleft palate and craniofacial abnormalities.

The Department will determine a hospital eligible for this additional class of disproportionate share payments if the hospital meets all of the criteria listed below. Unless otherwise stated, the source of the information is the State Fiscal Year 2010-2011 MA hospital cost report (MA-336).

- a) The hospital is enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program as a general acute care hospital, and is licensed to provide obstetrical and neonatal services as reported by the Pennsylvania Department of Health for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.
- b) The hospital has a partnership with a facility listed as of January 2013 as both a cleft palate team (CPT) and a craniofacial team (CFT) by the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association and Cleft Palate Foundation.
- c) As of March 2013, the hospital is accredited as a Level I Adult Trauma Center and a Level I Pediatric Trauma Center by the Pennsylvania Trauma System Foundation.
- d) The hospital provided more than 135,000 total acute inpatient days of care.
- e) The hospital ranked at or above the 92<sup>nd</sup> percentile for all enrolled acute care hospitals based on the total number of Medical Assistance inpatient days of care.
- f) The hospital's ratio of uncompensated care to net patient revenue is at least 3.30%, based on the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council's *Financial Analysis 2012, Volume One*.

For FY 2014-2015, the Department will allocate \$0.311 thousand (\$0.150 thousand in State General funds and \$0.161 thousand Federal funds) for this additional class of disproportionate share payments. Payments will be divided proportionally among qualified hospitals based on each hospital's total MA inpatient days to total MA inpatient days for all qualified hospitals. In making these payments, the Department will ensure that no hospital will receive any DSH payment that is in excess of its hospital specific DSH upper limit and the Commonwealth will not exceed its aggregate DSH allotment.