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Financial Management Group

AUG 17 2015

Mr. Theodore Dallas, Secretary
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Department of Human Services
Office of Medical Assistance Programs
PO Box 8046
Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: State Plan Amendment 15-0022

Dear Mr. Dallas:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 15-0022. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the SPA establishes a new class of disproportionate payments for 2015 acute care hospitals ranked at least three standard deviations above the mean with respect to Medicaid inpatient days and above the 99th percentile of all acute care hospitals with respect to discharges.

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 15-0022 effective June 28, 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 yours,

/S/

Timothy Hill
Director

Enclosures

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 15-0022	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 June 28, 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 \$ 860,440	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19A, Page 21y		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):	
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: Secretary of Human Services			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: JUN 24 2015			
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED:		18. DATE APPROVED: AUG 17 2015	
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: JUN 28 2015		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: /S/	
21. TYPED NAME:		22. TITLE: Deputy Director, FMC	
23. REMARKS:			

ADDITIONAL CLASS OF DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE PAYMENTS

A hospital is eligible for this additional class of disproportionate share payments if the hospital is a general acute care hospital that meets all of the criteria listed below. Unless otherwise stated, the source of the information is the State Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-2012 MA-336 Hospital Cost Report.

- a) The hospital is enrolled in the MA Program as a general acute care hospital and provides a comprehensive array of inpatient services (acute, psychiatric and rehabilitation), including inpatient obstetrical and neonatal services to MA beneficiaries.
- b) The hospital is accredited as an adult Level I Trauma Center according to the Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation 2013 Annual Report.
- c) The hospital ranked at least three standard deviations above the mean for the total number of inpatient days provided to MA beneficiaries.
- d) The hospital ranked above the 99th percentile of all acute care hospitals for the total number of MA discharges.
- e) The hospital is an independent academic medical center and a member of the Alliance of Independent Academic Medical Centers.

For FY 2014-2015, the Department will allocate an annualized amount of \$1.660 million (\$0.800 million in State General funds and \$0.860 million 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.