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State Plan Amendment (SPA)#: 16-0017

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Financial Management Group

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

RE: State Plan Amendment 16-0017

Dear Mr. Dallas:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 16-0017. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the SPA continues an additional class of disproportionate payments for 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 16-0017 effective June 26, 2016. 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/

Kristin Fan
Director

Enclosures

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
16-0017

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 26, 2016

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 2015 \$ 0
b. FFY 2016 \$ 1,409,000

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION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):
Attachment 4.19A, Page 21y

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:
Additional Class of Disproportionate Share Hospital 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:

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

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

/S/

13. TYPED NAME:

Theodore Dallas

14. TITLE:

Secretary of Human Services

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

APR 1 8 2016

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

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17. DATE RECEIVED:

18. DATE APPROVED:

SEP 08 2016

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

JUN 26 2016

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

/S/

21. TYPED NAME:

Kristen FAN

22. TITLE:

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.

All payment limitations are still applicable, including those limitations that the Commonwealth may not exceed its aggregate annual DSH allotment and that no hospital may receive DSH payments in excess of its hospital-specific limit. The Department will not redistribute DSH payments made under this additional class of DSH payments to qualifying hospitals as a result of a qualifying hospital exceeding its hospital-specific DSH limit.

For FY 2015-2016, the Department will allocate an annualized amount of \$2.709 million (\$1.300 million in State General funds and \$1.409 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.