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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 (SPA) 16-0062

Dear Mr. Dallas:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 16-0062. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-D of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the amendment authorizes a supplemental payment to nonpublic and county nursing facilities that previously qualified for supplemental ventilator care or tracheostomy care payments in state fiscal year 2015.

We conducted our review of this SPA according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(3), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), and 1903(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are approving Pennsylvania State plan amendment 16-0062 with an effective date of November 13, 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: 16-0062	2. STATE Pennsylvania
FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE November 13, 2016	
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 447.250		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY 2016 \$ b. FFY 2017 \$ 805,371	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19D, Part I, page 12n Attachment 4.19D, Part Ia, page 5d		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: Supplemental ventilator care and tracheostomy care add-on payment to qualified nonpublic and county nursing facilities in fiscal year 2016-2017.			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One): <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL: <i>/S/</i>		16. RETURN TO: PA Department of Human Services Office of Long-Term Living/Forum Place 6 th Fl. Attention: Bureau of Policy and Regulatory Management P.O. Box 8025 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-8025	
13. TYPED NAME: Theodore Dallas			
14. TITLE: Secretary of Human Services			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: DEC 20 2016			
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED:		18. DATE APPROVED: MAR 10 2017	
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: NOV 13 2016		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: <i>/S/</i>	
21. TYPED NAME: Kristin FAN		22. TITLE: Director, FMC	
23. REMARKS:			

10. Supplemental Ventilator Care and Tracheostomy Care Add-on Payment

The Department will make a payment in fiscal year (FY) 2016-2017 to nonpublic and county nursing facilities that qualified for supplemental ventilator care and tracheostomy care payments in FY 2014-2015. To qualify, a nonpublic and county nursing facility had to qualify for at least one supplemental ventilator care and tracheostomy care payment in FY 2014-2015 with a percentage of Medical Assistance residents who required medically necessary ventilator care or tracheostomy care greater than 90 percent using the quarterly payment files located on the Department's website.

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