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Ms. Teresa D. Miller, Acting Secretary
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Department of Human Services
Office of Medical Assistance Programs
PO Box 2675
Harrisburg, PA 17105-2675

RE: State Plan Amendment 17-0020

Dear Ms. Miller:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 17-0020. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the amendment continues enhanced payment to certain academic medical 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 17-0020 effective December 24, 2017. 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**

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
17-0020

2. STATE
Pennsylvania

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
December 24, 2017

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 2017 \$0
b. FFY 2018 \$12,187,057

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 4.19A, Page 27a

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION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

Attachment 4.19A, Page 27a

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Additional Payments to Certain Academic Medical 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:

Teresa D. Miller

14. TITLE:

Acting Secretary of Human Services

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

DEC 27 2017

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 17105-2675

FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED:

18. DATE APPROVED: FEB 06 2018

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

DEC 24 2017

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

/S/

21. TYPED NAME:

Kristin Fan

22. TITLE:

Director, FMCO

23. REMARKS:

ADDITIONAL PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTERS

Effective September 30, 2007, the Department will increase payments to certain academic medical centers to assure that the critical services they provide to the Medical Assistance population will continue. These payments are also intended to help offset the Medical Assistance share of the medical education costs incurred by these hospitals to assure the continued availability of professional medical services to the Medical Assistance population.

To qualify for these payments, the academic medical center must meet the following criteria as documented on the hospitals' Fiscal Year (FY) 2002-2003 Medical Assistance cost reports:

1. Have total medical education costs of at least \$25 million.
2. Have Pennsylvania Medical Assistance Education costs of at least \$1.5 million; and
3. Provide over 50,000 Pennsylvania Medical Assistance days of care or have less than 500 set-up and staffed beds.

The Department will distribute payments to qualifying hospitals based on the hospitals' FY 2002-2003 Medical Assistance cost reports as follows:

1. 47.191453% of available funding to a large hospital, defined as having 750 set up and staffed beds; and
2. 26.4042735% of available funding to each of the other qualifying hospitals.
3. To ensure that payments do not exceed available funds, the Department will adjust payments to each hospital using the following formula:
 - a. The calculated total amount of payments for each hospital under steps (1) and (2) in this section is divided by the total calculated amount for all hospitals to obtain a percentage, which is a ratio of each hospital's respective share of the calculated amount.
 - b. The resulting percentage for each hospital in clause (a) is multiplied by the total available funds to obtain a proportional payment for each hospital.

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 2017-2018, the fiscal impact as a result of this payment program is \$23.518 million (\$11.331 million in State general funds and \$12.187 million in Federal funds).