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## **Financial Management Group**

January 18, 2019

Ms. Teresa D. Miller, Secretary Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Office of Medical Assistance Programs PO Box 2675 Harrisburg, PA 17110

RE: State Plan Amendment 18-0039

Dear Ms. Miller:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 18-0039. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, this SPA continues DSH payment adjustments to qualifying hospitals that serve indigent populations of cities with an average per capita income significantly below statewide averages.

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 18-0039 effective December 2, 2018. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan pages.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please call Gary Knight at (304) 347-5723.

Sincerely,

Kristin Fan Director

**Enclosures** 

cc: Leesa M. Allen, Executive Deputy Secretary, DHS

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METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES-INPATIENT HOSPITAL CARE

## ADDITIONAL CLASS OF DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE PAYMENTS TO QUALIFYING HOSPITALS

The Department of Human Services (Department) will make disproportionate share hospital (DSH) payments for qualifying acute care general hospitals that serve the indigent population of cities with a per capita income significantly below the statewide average for the Commonwealth.

For a hospital to qualify for this additional class of DSH payment, it must meet all of the following criteria, based on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-2012 MA-336 Hospital Cost Report, unless otherwise specified.

- The hospital is enrolled in Pennsylvania (PA) Medical Assistance (MA) as an acute care (a) general hospital;
- (b) The hospital provides at least 20,000 inpatient days of care to MA beneficiaries;
- The hospital has an MA inpatient utilization rate (MIUR) of at least 25% as determined by (c) dividing the hospital's MA inpatient days by its total inpatient days of care;
- (d) The hospital has a negative 3-year average change in net patient revenue according to the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council's FY 2012 Financial Analysis. Volume One, General Acute Care Hospitals; and,
- The hospital is located in a PA county which contains a city with a population of 30,000 or (e) more and that city has a per capita income below 60 percent of the average per capita income for the Commonwealth as documented in the 2010 U.S. census data.

A hospital's payment amount for this additional class of DSH payments is determined by dividing the hospital's MA inpatient days by the total MA inpatient days for all qualifying hospitals and multiplying that percentage by the total amount allocated for these payments. The data used for purposes of this determination will be from the FY 2011-2012 MA-336 Hospital Cost Report.

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.

The FY 2018-2019 impact, as a result of the funding allocation for these payments, is \$14.636 million (\$6.989 million in State general funds and \$7.647 million in Federal funds).

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