

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
1301 Young Street, Room 833
Dallas, Texas 75202



Division of Medicaid & Children's Health, Region VI

June 24, 2011

Our Reference: SPA TX 11-18

Mr. Billy Millwee
Associate Commissioner for Medicaid & CHIP
Health and Human Services Commission
Post Office Box 13247
Mail Code: H100
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Millwee:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Texas State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 11-18, dated April 26, 2011. This state plan amendment updates the fee schedule rate for physician services and certain other practitioners.

Based on the information submitted, we have approved the amendment for incorporation into the official Texas State Plan with an effective date change of April 1, 2011. A copy of the CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed with this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley at (214) 767-6278.

Sincerely,

/s/

Bill Brooks
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures

cc: Emily Zalkovsky, Policy Development Support

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 11-018	2. STATE: TEXAS
		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2011	
		5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Circle One): <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)	
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: 42 CFR 440.50(a); §1905(a)(5)(A) of Social Security Act, relating to Physician Services; 42 CFR 440.60(a); §1905(a)(6) of Social Security Act, relating to Other Licensed Practitioners.		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: SEE ATTACHMENT a. FFY 2011 \$51,429 b. FFY 2012 \$95,008 c. FFY 2013 \$97,915	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: SEE ATTACHMENT TO BLOCKS 8 & 9		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): SEE ATTACHMENT TO BLOCKS 8 & 9	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: The proposed amendment is an update to the physicians and certain other practitioner's fee schedule.			
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			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:		16. RETURN TO:	
13. TYPED NAME: Billy R. Millwee		Billy R. Millwee State Medicaid Director Post Office Box 13247, MC: H-100 Austin, Texas 78711	
14. TITLE: State Medicaid Director			
15. DATE SUBMITTED April 25, 2011			
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17. DATE RECEIVED: 26 April, 2011		18. DATE APPROVED: 24 June 2011	
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: 1 April, 2011		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:	
21. TYPED NAME: Bill Brooks		22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health	
23. REMARKS:			

1. Physicians and Certain Other Practitioners (continued)

- (g) All fee schedules are available through the agency's website, as outlined on Attachment 4.19-B, page 1.
- (h) The agency's fee schedule was revised with new fees for physicians effective April 1, 2011 and will be posted on the agency's website on April 8, 2011.
- (i) The reimbursement for services effective September 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011 will be equal to the reimbursement on August 31, 2010, less one percent. For new reimbursement rates or reimbursement rates that were revised after August 31, 2010, for services effective September 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011, the reimbursement will be reduced by one percent.
- (j) The reimbursement for services effective February 1, 2011 will be equal to the reimbursement on August 31, 2010, less two percent. For new reimbursement rates or reimbursement rates revised after August 31, 2010 for services effective on or after February 1, 2011, the reimbursement will be reduced by two percent.

SUPERSEDES: TN- 11-12

STATE <u>Texas</u>	A
DATE REC'D <u>4-26-11</u>	
DATE APPV'D <u>6-21-11</u>	
DATE EFF <u>4-1-11</u>	
HCFA 179 <u>11-18</u>	

TN 11-18

Approval Date 6-21-11

Effective Date 4-1-11

Supersedes TN 11-12