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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health, Region VI

October 17, 2011

Our Reference: SPA TX 11-028

Mr. Billy Millwee
Associate Commissioner for Medicaid & CHIP
Health and Human Services Commission
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Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Millwee:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Texas State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 11-028, dated July 20, 2011. This state plan amendment implements a reimbursement reduction of five percent for family planning services.

Based on the information submitted, we have approved the amendment for incorporation into the official Texas State Plan with an effective date change of September 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

FORM CMS - 179 (07-92)

7. Reimbursement Methodology for Family Planning Services.

- (a) Payment for family planning services is made in accordance with the provisions contained in items 1 (Physicians and Certain Other Practitioners), 3 (Clinical Labs), 35 (Certified Family and Pediatric Nurse Practitioners), and 41 (Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists and Advanced Nurse Practitioners) depending on the service provided and the provider type. For other agencies which are physician-directed and are approved to provide family planning services under this state plan, the upper payment limits will not be in excess of a fee schedule, as approved by the Single State Agency, for each of the professional services authorized as benefits.
- (b) All fee schedules are available through the agency's website as outlined on Attachment 4.19-B, page 1.
- (c) The reimbursement rate for services effective September 1, 2011 will be equal to the reimbursement rate on August 31, 2010, less seven percent.
- (d) The agency's fee schedule was revised with new fees for family planning providers effective September 1, 2011. The fee schedule will be posted on the agency website on September 9, 2011.

SUPERSEDES: TN- 10-80

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| DATE APP'D <u>10-17-11</u> | |
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