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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 16-0010

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

July 18, 2016

Dorothy Frost Teeter, Director
MaryAnne Lindeblad, Medicaid Director
Health Care Authority
Post Office Box 45502
Olympia, WA 98504-5010

RE: Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 16-0010.

Dear Ms. Teeter and Ms. Lindeblad:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number WA 16-0010. This SPA updated the reimbursement rates for chemical dependency treatment services. The rate change was needed to protect access to these services for the Medicaid-eligible American Indian/ Alaska Native (AI/AN) clients as a result of the exclusion of the AI/AN clients from the 1915(b) waiver amendment.

This SPA is approved with an effective date of April 21, 2016.

If you have any additional questions or require any further assistance, please contact me, or have your staff contact James Moreth at James.Moreth@cms.hhs.gov or (360) 943-0469.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by David L. Meacham

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Date: 2016.07.18 13:10:34 -07 00

David L. Meacham
Associate Regional Administrator

cc:
Ann Myers, HCA

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
16-0010

2. STATE
Washington

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
April 21, 2016

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:
1902(a) of the Social Security Act

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2016 \$ 5,845,800
b. FFY 2017 \$ 11,691,600

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 4.19-B, Page 21a

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION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

Attachment 4.19-B, Page 21a

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Fee-for service substance use disorder rates for American Indian/Alaska Native clients

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: Exempt

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPE: 
MaryAnne Lindeblad

14. TITLE:

Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED: 4-22-16

16. RETURN TO:

Ann Myers
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Division of Legal Services
Health Care Authority
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FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED:

4-22-16

18. DATE APPROVED:

7/18/16

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

4/21/16

20. SIGNATURE: 

Digitally signed by David L. Meacham-S

21. TYPED NAME:

David L. Meacham

22. TITLE:

Associate Regional Administrator

Date: 2016.07.18 13:12:27 -0700

23. REMARKS:

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: _____ WASHINGTON _____

D. Rehabilitative Services

3. Alcohol/Drug Treatment and Detoxification Services

Payment for detoxification services provided in freestanding Medicaid Agency-approved alcohol/drug treatment centers is on a fee-for-service basis, with one day being the unit of service. The Medicaid Agency pays the lesser of the usual and customary charge or a fee based on an Agency fee schedule.

There is no room and board paid for these services.

Payment for alcohol/drug treatment services is provided to certified facilities on a fee-for-services basis for specific services. The Medicaid Agency pays the lesser of the usual and customary charge or a fee based on a Medicaid Agency fee schedule. There is no room and board paid for these services. Licensed chemical dependency professionals who are paid by the facility, provide services. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, payment for these services is based on fee schedule rates, which are the same for both governmental and private providers of alcohol/drug treatment and detoxification services. The Agency's rates were set as of April 21, 2016, and are effective for services rendered on or after that date. All rates are published and maintained on the Agency's website at <http://www.hca.wa.gov/medicaid/rbrvs/Pages/index.aspx>.