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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services 230 South Dearborn Street Chicago, Illinois 60604



### Financial Management Group

December 17, 2024

Andrea Barton Reeves, J.D., Commissioner Department of Social Services 55 Farmington Avenue, 5th Floor Hartford, CT 06105-3730

RE: TN 24-0020

Dear Commissioner Reeves:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed Connecticut's state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B of 24-0020, which was submitted to CMS on September 30, 2024. This plan amendment makes changes to the reimbursement rates for select behavioral health services.

We reviewed your SPA submission for compliance with statutory requirements including in sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), and 1903 as it relates to the identification of an adequate source for the non-federal share of expenditures under the plan, as required by 1902(a)(2), of the Social Security Act and the applicable implementing Federal regulations.

Based upon the information provided by the state, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July 1, 2024. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Jerica Bennett at 410-786-1167 or via email at <a href="mailto:jerica.bennett@cms.hhs.gov">jerica.bennett@cms.hhs.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

**Enclosures** 

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER 2. STATE  2 4 — 0 0 2 0 CT
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT XIX XXI
TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  July 1, 2024
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION Social Security Act Sections 1905(a)(5), and (9) and 42 CFR 440.50 and 440.90	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a FFY 2024 \$ 1,252,998 b. FFY 2025 \$ 7,574,373
7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT  Attachment 4.19-B, Pg 1(a)i(E)  Attachment 4.19-B, Pg 1(c)  Attachment 4.19-B, Pg 1(c)vii  Supplement 1a to Attachment 4.19-B Page 4  Supplement 1e to Attachment 4.19-B Page 4	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 4.19-B, Pg 1(a)i(E) Attachment 4.19-B, Pg 1(c) Attachment 4.19-B, Pg 1(c)vii Supplement 1a to Attachment 4.19-B Page 4 Supplement 1e to Attachment 4.19-B Page 4
<ol> <li>SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT</li> <li>This SPA will amend attachment 4.19B in order to increase the reimbursement for select behavioral health services for HUSKY Health members under age 21.</li> </ol>	
10. 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	
	5. RETURN TO State of Connecticut Department of Social Services
Andrea Barton Reeves, J.D.	55 Farmington Avenue – 9th floor Hartford, CT 06105
Commissioner	Attention: Ginny Mahoney
14. DATE SUBMITTED September 30, 2024  FOR CMS U	SE ONLY
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09/30/2024	December 17, 2024
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Todd McMillion	Director, Division of Reimbursement Review
22. REMARKS	

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(5) Physician's services – Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of physician's services. The agency's fee schedule rates were set as of July 1, 2024, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="https://www.ctdssmap.com">https://www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download," then select the applicable fee schedule.

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- (6) Medical care or any other type of remedial care recognized under State law, furnished by licensed practitioners within the scope of their practice as defined by State law. Fixed fee methodologies are summarized below.
  - (a) Podiatrists Podiatrists 90% of physician fees as noted in (5) above. The current fee schedule was set as of January 1, 2016 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website:

    www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.
  - (b) Optometrists 90% of physician fees as noted in (5) above. The current fee schedule was set as of January 1, 2016 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="www.ctdssmap.com">www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.
  - (c) Chiropractors 100% of physician fees as noted in (5) above. The current fee schedule was set as of January 1, 2012 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule for chiropractors can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="https://www.ctdssmap.com">www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.
  - (d) Other licensed practitioners
    - (i) Psychologists The current fee schedule was set as of July 1, 2024, and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule for psychologists can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="www.ctdssmap.com">www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.

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(d) <u>Medical Clinics</u>: Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of medical clinic services. The agency's fee schedule rates were set as of July 1, 2024, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="https://www.ctdssmap.com">https://www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download," then select the applicable fee schedule.

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### (f) Rehabilitation Clinics:

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of rehabilitation clinic services. The agency's fee schedule rates were set as of July 1, 2024, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="https://www.ctdssmap.com">https://www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download," then select the applicable fee schedule.

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#### 13. c. Preventive Services

### Services to Treat Autism Spectrum Disorders Pursuant to EPSDT

Fees for services to treat autism spectrum disorders pursuant to EPSDT were set as of July 1, 2024, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedules can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="https://www.ctdssmap.com">www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider," then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download" and select the fee schedule applicable to the qualified provider. Fees are the same for governmental and private providers.

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Mental Services Provided by Clinics - Rehabilitative Services 42 CFR 440.130(d)

Mental Health Services Provided by Privately Operated Behavioral Health Clinics and Behavioral Health Services Provided by Medical Clinics and Rehabilitation Clinics. Except as otherwise noted in the Medicaid State Plan, the state-developed fee schedule is the same for both governmental and private providers. The agency's fee schedule rates for mental health services provided by privately operated behavioral health clinics and behavioral health services provided by medical clinics and rehabilitation clinics in the rehabilitative services benefit category were set as of July 1, 2024, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: <a href="https://www.ctdssmap.com">https://www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this web page, go to "Provider" then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download," then select the applicable fee schedule (for mental health services provided by behavioral health clinics, select the behavioral health clinic fee schedule and refer to the applicable codes as provided by freestanding clinics; for mental health services provided by medical clinics, select the medical clinic fee schedule and refer to the codes for mental health services; and for mental health services provided by rehabilitation clinics, select the rehabilitation clinic fee schedule and refer to the codes for mental health services).

There is a separate fee schedule for private behavioral health clinics providing behavioral health services under the rehabilitative services benefit category that meet special access and quality standards, and such fees are higher than the fees available to clinics that do not meet such special standards. These clinics must accept all (100%) telephonic and walk-in referrals that present during business hours. All referrals must be screened by a trained intake worker or clinician and triaged to determine whether the referral is emergent, urgent or routine. A clinician must evaluate a client who presents at the clinic with an emergent condition within two (2) hours. Clients that undergo telephonic or walk-in screening and are determined to be in urgent need of services must be offered an appointment for an urgent face-to-face clinical evaluation with a clinician to take place within two (2) calendar days of the screening. Clients that undergo telephonic or walk-in screening and are determined to have routine needs must be offered an appointment for a routine face-to-face clinical evaluation with a clinician to take place within 14 calendar days of the screening. These clinics must have at least nine (9) extended hours per week beyond routine business hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Providers that are designated Enhanced Care Clinics and have a valid Letter of Agreement with the Department that holds them accountable to the quality standards and access standards receive the enhanced rate for all routine outpatient services provided. The state monitors the access standards on a routine basis

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