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State Territory Name: MASSACHUSETTS

State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 24-0037

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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



Financial Management Group

March 5, 2025

Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of
Health and Human Services Office of Medicaid
One Ashburton Place, Room 1109
Boston, MA 02108

RE: TN 24-0037

Dear Assistant Secretary Levine:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed Massachusetts state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B 24-0037, which was submitted to CMS on December 30, 2024. This plan amendment updates Applied Behavior Therapy rates.

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 October 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 Debi Benson at 312-886-0360 or via email at Deborah.Benson@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Todd McMillion.

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

Enclosures

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER <u>24-0037</u>	2. STATE <u>MA</u>
3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE <u>XIX</u> OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT	

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE 10/01/2024
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5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 42 CFR Part 440	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a. FFY ²⁵ \$ <u>0</u> b. FFY ²⁶ \$ <u>0</u>
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7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment 4.19-B page 2D	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 4.19-B page 2D
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9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

An amendment to update payment methodologies for applied behavioral analysis (ABA) services

10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)

<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Not required under 42 CFR 430.12(b)(2)(i)
<input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL	

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 	15. RETURN TO Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Office of Medicaid One Ashburton Place Boston, MA 02108
12. TYPED NAME Mike Levine	
13. TITLE Assistant Secretary for MassHealth	
14. DATE SUBMITTED 12/31/2024	

FOR CMS USE ONLY	
16. DATE RECEIVED December 30, 2024	17. DATE APPROVED March 5, 2025

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL October 1, 2024	19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
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20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Todd McMillion	21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Director, Division of Reimbursement Review
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22. REMARKS

State Plan Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act
State: Massachusetts
Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates -- Other Types of Care

Therapeutic Mentoring Services –The fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after January 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Family Support and Training Services - The current fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after January 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Applied Behavior Analyst Services – The current fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after October 1, 2024. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35800-rates-of-payment-for-applied-behavior-analysis>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Preventive Behavioral Health Services – The current fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after September 1, 2021. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-30600-rates-of-payment-for-mental-health-services-provided-in-community-health-and-mental-health-centers>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.