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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**

June 12, 2025

Mike Levine Medicaid Director Office of Medicaid One Ashburton Place Boston, MA 02108

RE: TN 25-0001

Dear Director Levine:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed Massachusetts state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B MA-25-0001, which was submitted to CMS on March 31, 2025. This plan amendment updates the payment methodologies for vision 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 February 14, 2025. 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 Robert Bromwell at (410) 786-5914 or via email at <a href="mailto:Robert.Bromwell@cms.hhs.gov">Robert.Bromwell@cms.hhs.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

**Enclosures** 

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES  TO: CENTER DIRECTOR    CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES    DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION    -42-USC-1396a(a)(13); 42 CFR Part 447; 42 CFR 440:10-1905(a)(a) 1905(a)(6)  7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT  Attachment 4.19-B page 1a-iii	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLEXIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT  4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  02/14/2025  6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT  An amendment to update payment methodologies for vision services	
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	OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:  Not required under 42 CFR 430.12(b)(2)(i)
11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL  12. TYPED NAME Mike Levine  13. TITLE Assistant Secretary for MassHealth  14. DATE SUBMITTED 03/31/2025	15. RETURN TO  Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Office of Medicaid One Ashburton Place Boston, MA 02108
FOR CMS USE ONLY	
16. DATE RECEIVED 3/31/2025	17. DATE APPROVED  June 12, 2025
	NE COPY ATTACHED
18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL 2/14/2025	19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL	21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Tod McMillion	Director, Division of Reimbursement Review
22. REMARKS  Pen and ink change authorized via email on 6/5/2025 to block 5 from 2 USC 1396a(a)(13); 42 CFR Part 447; 42 CFR 440.10,1905(a)(a) to 42 CFR Part 447; 1905(a)(6).	

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

- e. Medical or other type of remedial care recognized under the laws of the Commonwealth furnished by licensed practitioners within the scope of their practice as defined by the laws of the Commonwealth:
  - 3. Optometric Services (including professional fee and certain items dispensed)

The fee-for-service rates are effective for services provided on or after February 14, 2025. All rates are published on <a href="http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/hhs/community-health-care-providers-ambulatory-care.html#114\_3\_15">http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/hhs/community-health-care-providers-ambulatory-care.html#114\_3\_15</a>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

TN: 25-0001 Approval Date: June 12, 2025 Effective Date: 02/14/2025

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