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State/Territory Name: Michigan

State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: MI 24-0014

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S3-14-28
Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850



Financial Management Group

October 17, 2024

Meghan Groen
Senior Deputy Director
State of Michigan, Department of Community Health
400 South Pine Street
Lansing, Michigan 48933

RE: TN 24-0014

Dear Director Groen:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed Michigan state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-D MI 24-0014, which was submitted to CMS on September 3, 2024. This plan amendment provides to continue the previously authorized wage increase for in person care for Medicaid beneficiaries provided by all clinical direct care workers and eligible non-clinical direct care workers in Medicaid-certified skilled nursing facilities.

We reviewed your SPA submission for compliance with statutory requirements, including in sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 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 page.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Tom Caughey at 517-497-8598 or via email at tom.caughey@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Rory Howe
Director
Financial Management Group

Enclosures

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER

24 — 0014

2. STATE

MI

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL
SECURITY ACT

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR
CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

3. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
October 1, 2024

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION
Section 1902(a) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 447

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
a. FFY 2025 \$68,536,100
b. FFY 2026 \$68,536,100

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 31

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN
SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)
New Page

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

This SPA provides to continue the previously authorized wage increase for in person care for Medicaid beneficiaries provided by all clinical direct care workers and eligible non-clinical direct care workers in Medicaid-certified skilled nursing facilities.

10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT

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OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:

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COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED

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NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

11. TYPED NAME
Meghan Groen

12. TITLE
Senior Deputy Director

13. DATE SUBMITTED
September 3, 2024

15. RETURN TO

Behavioral and Physical Health and Aging Services
Administration
Office of Strategic Partnerships & Medicaid Administrative
Services – Federal Liaison
Capitol Commons Center – 7th Floor
400 South Pine
Lansing, Michigan 48933
Attn: Erin Black

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16. DATE RECEIVED
September 3, 2024

17. DATE APPROVED
October 17, 2024

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
October 1, 2024

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Rory Howe

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Director, FMG

22. REMARKS

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State of MICHIGAN

Policy and Methods for Establishing Payment Rates (Long Term Care Facilities)

O. Direct Care Worker Wage Increase for Personal Care Services

Beginning October 1, 2024, a direct care worker wage increase consistent with the final State fiscal year budget will be available for eligible clinical and non-clinical direct care workers providing in-person direct care for Medicaid beneficiaries in Medicaid-certified nursing facilities. This payment will apply to base hourly wages that were in effect on September 30th of the previous fiscal year and includes any associated share of employer Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) payroll taxes.

Except as otherwise noted in the state plan, Michigan's Medicaid payment rates are uniform for both private and governmental providers. Reimbursement is made in accordance with Medicaid's fee screens or the usual and customary charge for these services, whichever amount is less. All rates are published at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders.

- Eligible clinical direct care workers include: Registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, competency-evaluated nursing assistants, and respiratory therapists employed by Medicaid-certified nursing facilities.
- Eligible non-clinical workers whose costs are reported in the following job classifications in the nursing facility institutional cost reports shared with the department include: Other housekeeping, other maintenance worker, other plant operations, other laundry, dining room assistants, other dietary worker, other medical records, other social services, other diversion therapy, beauty and barber, gift, flower, coffee and canteen worker employed by Medicaid-certified nursing facilities.

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