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**State/Territory Name: Michigan**

**State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: MI 24-0023**

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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



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**Financial Management Group**

December 13, 2024

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

RE: TN 24-0023

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 24-0023, which was submitted to CMS on November 14, 2024. This plan amendment will be discontinue the Rate Relief Program to simplify the Michigan Medicaid Long Term Care Reimbursement Methodology and make changes to make it less complicated, less labor intensive and more efficient.

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 January 1, 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 Tom Caughey at 517-487-8598 or via email at [tom.caughey@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:tom.caughey@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,



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 — 0023

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  
January 1, 2025

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION  
42 CFR 447

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)  
a. FFY 2025 \$0  
b. FFY 2026 \$0

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT  
  
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 17  
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 18  
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 19  
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8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)  
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 17 (TN : 11-15)  
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 18 (TN : 11-15)  
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 19 (TN : 19-0008)  
Attachment 4.19-D Section IV Page 20 (TN : 14-015)

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT  
This SPA discontinues a nursing facility rate relief program.

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:

11. TYPED NAME  
Meghan Groen

12. TITLE  
Senior Deputy Director

13. DATE SUBMITTED  
November 14, 2024

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

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16. DATE RECEIVED  
November 14, 2024

17. DATE APPROVED  
December 13, 2024

**PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED**

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL  
January 1, 2024

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL  
Rory Howe

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL  
Director, FMG

22. REMARKS

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- c. The provider's variable rate base is determined as the lesser of the calculated variable rate base or the provider's class wide variable cost limit (VCL), where (continued)
  - 3) The variable cost limit for private institutions for the mentally ill and mentally retarded is computed by adding the VCL for Class I nursing facilities plus the cost of additional nursing hours per patient care day plus the cost of additional services as required by the Department, as outlined in the Supplement to Attachment 3.1-A.

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C. Variable Cost Component

4. RESERVED

5. Special Provisions: The variable cost component will be determined using special methods for providers that are "new facilities" or have changed class. Special methods are required because there is no (or an inadequate) cost basis upon which to determine rates. Providers with newly purchased facilities or with major additions, renovations or new construction are not granted any special methods because there are historical variable costs upon which to base rates.

- a. New Facility: A "new facility" which is defined as a long term care provider in a