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**State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: NC-24-0016**

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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



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**Financial Management Group**

November 22, 2024

Jay Ludlam  
Office of the Deputy Secretary  
Department of Health and Human Services  
2001 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-20014

RE: TN 24-0016

Dear Deputy Secretary Ludlam,

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed North Carolina State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B, which was submitted to CMS on September 30, 2024. This plan amendment updates the Enhanced Mental Health Services reimbursement 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 August 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 Ysabel Gavino via email at [maria.gavino@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:maria.gavino@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box redacting 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

2 4 — 0 0 1 6

2. STATE

NC

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT



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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

August 01, 2024

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

42 C.F.R. §447.201

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)

a. FFY 24 \$ 1,690,892  
b. FFY 25 \$ 10,069,848

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

Attachment 4.19-B Section 13, Page 6

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)

Attachment 4.19-B Section 13, Page 6

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

Substance Abuse Comprehensive Outpatient Treatment SACOT (ASAM Level 2.5)

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: Secretary

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

[Redacted Signature]

15. RETURN TO

Office of the Deputy Secretary  
Department of Health and Human Services  
2001 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-20014

12. TYPED NAME

Jay Ludlam

13. TITLE

Deputy Secretary

14. DATE SUBMITTED 09/18/24 | 2:50 PM EDT

**FOR CMS USE ONLY**

16. DATE RECEIVED

September 30, 2024

17. DATE APPROVED

November 22, 2024

**PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED**

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

August 1, 2024

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

[Redacted Signature]

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

Todd McMillion

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

Director, Division of Reimbursement Review

22. REMARKS

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

State: North Carolina

PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICE

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6) Substance Abuse Comprehensive Outpatient Treatment Program (H2035) (SACOT)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of Substance Abuse Comprehensive Outpatient Treatment Program (SACOT). The agency's fee schedule rate of \$45.35 per hour was set as of July 1, 2012. Effective March 1, 2022, the rate increased to \$46.07 per hour for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule is published on the Division of Health Benefits at [https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee\\_schedules](https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee_schedules)

Effective August 1, 2024, the agency's published Enhanced Mental Health Services fee schedule rates are effective for services provided on or after that date. The Enhanced Mental Health Services fee schedule is published on the Division of Health Benefits website at [https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee\\_schedules](https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee_schedules)

This service will be provided by direct enrolled Medicaid providers who may be either private or governmental. This service is not cost settled for any provider. This service is provided in accordance with Attachment 3.1-A.1 Pages 15a.10 -15a.10-A, Paragraph 13.D., subparagraph (xii).

The facilities providing this service are not IMD facilities and NC Medicaid is not reimbursing room and board for this service.

In the event this service is operated by a 638 Compact or Indian Health Service Provider, the rate of reimbursement shall be the All-Inclusive Rate (AIR) established on an annual basis as published in the Federal Register.

In the event this service is operated by a 638 Compact or Indian Health Service Provider and is not covered under the criteria to receive the All-Inclusive Rate (AIR), the provider is subject to the NC Medicaid Fee Schedule or other agreed upon rate(s) by the payor.