State/Territory Name: Nebraska

State Plan Amendment (SPA) NE-25-0020

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1) Approval Letter
2) CMS 179 Form/Summary Form (with 179-like data)
3) Approved SPA Pages

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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Financial Management Group

August 6, 2026

Drew Gonshorowski
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Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
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RE: **Nebraska State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 25-0020**

Dear Director Gonshorowski:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed Nebraska state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B NE-25-0020, which was submitted to CMS on July 31, 2025. The purpose of this plan amendment is to update Nebraska's applied behavioral analysis (ABA) fee schedule rates.

We reviewed this SPA is accordance with section 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations at 42 CFR § 447.203(c). If the state decides to include these services in their Medicaid managed care contracts, then they will need to ensure compliance with all requirements at 42 CFR § 438.

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, 2025. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or further assistance, please contact Jerica Bennett at 410-786-1167 or via email at jerica.bennett@cms.hhs.gov.

Todd McMillion
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Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANDHUMAN SERVICES
CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

FORM APPROVED
OMB No. 0938-0193

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL

FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 25-0020

2. STATE: NE

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

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
August 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
Att. 4.19-B, Item 13d, Pg 1c (new)

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT *(If Applicable)*
Click or tap here to enter text.

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
Nebraska Medicaid's Rates for Applied Behavior Analysis 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: Governor has waived review

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

12. TYPED NAME
[redacted]

13. TITLE
Director, Division of Medicaid & Long-Term Care

14. DATE SUBMITTED
July 31, 2025

15. RETURN TO
Dawn Kastens
Division of Medicaid & Long-Term Care
Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68509

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16. DATE RECEIVED
07/31/2025

17. DATE APPROVED

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
08/01/2025

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
[redacted]

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Todd McMillion

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Director, Division of Reimbursement Review

22. REMARKS

FORM CMS-179 (09/24)

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State Nebraska
METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES

APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS

Effective August 1, 2025, Nebraska Medicaid's applied behavioral analysis (ABA) rates were adjusted in alignment with ABA rates from Medicaid agencies located in states with geographic proximity to Nebraska. Nebraska Medicaid's adjusted rates reflect a blended average of these nearby states' Medicaid rates for ABA services.

Nebraska Medicaid's rates are published on the agency's website at https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Medicaid-Provider-Rates-and-Fee-Schedules.aspx. From the landing page, scroll down to the fee schedule for the specific program.

These rates will be the same for governmental and private providers of applied behavioral analysis.
