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#### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

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### **Financial Management Group**

May 24, 2024

Henry Lipman, Commissioner Department of Health and Human Services 129 Pleasant St. Concord, NH 03301

RE: New Hampshire State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 24-0019

Dear Commissioner Lipman:

We have reviewed the proposed New Hampshire State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B submitted under TN-24-0019 which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on March 14, 2024. This plan updates the rates for Family Centered Early Supports and Services .

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of January 1, 2024. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan page.

Please note that our approval relates only to the requested change in payment methodology and that the resultant rates and related expenditures are consistent with section 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act. CMS may still have questions on the funding structure in determining it's consistent with sections 1902(a)(2), 1903(a), and 1903(w) of the Act as implemented by 42 CFR §433.54. Approval of the subject SPA does not relieve the state of its responsibility to comply with federal laws and regulations, and to ensure that claims for federal funding are consistent with all applicable requirements. On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, CMS issued a letter on the New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Trust Fund, in companion to the approval of New Hampshire's Medicaid managed care state directed payment preprints. The letter requested additional information to allow CMS to further review the state's sources of non-federal share financing of the Medicaid adult expansion population. The result of that review may also be applicable to the expenditures related to the payments authorized in this SPA.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Debi Benson at 1-312-886-0360 or <a href="Deborah.Benson@cms.hhs.gov">Deborah.Benson@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 CFR 440.130, 42 CFR Part 447  7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT  Attachment 4.19B, Page 3a-1	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER  2 4 — 0 0 1 9 NH  3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT XIX XXI  4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE January 1, 2024  6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a FFY 2024 \$ 1,321,723 b. FFY 2025 \$ 1,762,297  8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 4.19B, Page 3a-1, (TN-23-0064)pending
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT Family Centered Early Supports and Services - Rate Increase  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	
J	15. RETURN TO lody Farwell Division of Medicaid Services/Brown Building
	Department of Health and Human Service 29 Pleasant Street
13. TITLE Associate Commissioner	Concord, NH 03301
14. DATE SUBMITTED March 14, 2024	
FOR CMS USE ONLY	
16. DATE RECEIVED MARCH 14, 2024	17. DATE APPROVED May 24, 2024
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED	
18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL  January 1, 2024	19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
	21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF REIMBURSEMENT REVIEW
22. REMARKS	

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### PAYMENT RATES FOR ALL TYPES OF CARE OTHER THAN INPATIENT HOSPITAL, SKILLED NURSING, OR INTERMEDIATE NURSING CARE SERVICES

## 15. Other Diagnostic, Screening, Preventative, and Rehabilitation Services

Payment for family centered early supports and services (previously called early intervention) is made in accordance with a fee schedule established by the department. Rates were set as of January 1, 2024, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. No provider shall bill or charge the department more than the provider's usual and customary charge. All fee schedules are accessible at www.nhmmis.nh.gov, under the "documents and forms" tab under "documentation," and are applicable to all public and private providers.

Payment for covered services provided by a residential facility (private non-medical institution [PNMI]) is determined by budgeted costs submitted to the department. A single facility prospective rate is paid to each facility. Rates are reviewed in accordance with the policies and procedures set by the department. No provider shall bill or charge the department more than the provider's usual and customary charge. Payment does not include room and board.

In State PNMI: for In-State providers, the PNMI rate is determined as follows: a.

#### 1. Daily Rate Determination:

- i. Net Expenses- difference between the total budgeted costs (total expenses) and total allowable revenue. Net expenses do not include charges related to educational costs.
- Certified Beds- quantity of beds certified within the licensed capacity for the facility. ii.
- iii. Utilization Factor- percentage of certified beds/daily attendance over a 3 year period. The utilization factor is capped at 95% maximum with a minimum utilization of 75%.
- Rate Calculation Capacity- certified beds multiplied by the utilization factor. iv.
- v. Units of Service- rate calculation capacity multiplied by the length of the program
- vi. Daily Rate- net expenses are divided by the units of service to determine the daily rate.

#### 2. Time Study:

- Time Study- review of participants to determine reimbursable Medicaid work activities; time studies occur annually and run for approximately 10 days.
- ii. Time Study Records- documentation of all staff who are involved in the provision of rehabilitative services and are present during the time study period.
- Facility Participation- facilities are requested to participate in times studies to iii. determine the portion of time direct care staff attributed to rehabilitative services. Facilities that have not completed times studies will use a median percentage based on certified state facilities providing the same level of care at the time of the ratesetting period.

Note: When it is stated that "rates were set as of" this indicates the most recent date rates were changed on one or more codes for the type of service/practitioner in question. It is not meant to imply that all of the codes pertaining to the type of service/practitioner in question were changed or reviewed.

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