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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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October 27, 2026

Gregory Woods
Assistant Commissioner
Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services
P.O. Box 712, Mail Code #26
Trenton, NJ 08625-0712

Reference: TN NJ-26-0013

Dear Assistant Commissioner Woods,

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed New Jersey state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-A NJ-26-0013, which was submitted to CMS on September 28, 2026. This plan amendment revises the distribution of Graduate Medical Education Supplemental Trauma (GME-T) payments for State Fiscal Year 2027.

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 and 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 July 1, 2026. 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 Blake Holt at (303)-844-6218 or Blake.Holt@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

2 6 — 0 0 1 3

2. STATE

N J3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL
SECURITY ACT

XIX



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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

July 1, 2026

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

Social Security Act 1902(a)(13)

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)

a. FFY 2026 \$ 14,361,860b. FFY 2027 \$ 43,085,580

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

Attachment 4.19-A Pages I-227(g2) and (g2)(a) I-227 (g2)(a)

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION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

Same

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

SFY 2027 Graduate Medical Education - Trauma - (GME-T) 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. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

12. TYPED NAME

Stephen Cha, MD, MHSR

13. TITLE

Commissioner, Department of Human Services

14. DATE SUBMITTED

09/28/2026

15. RETURN TO

Gregory Woods, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services
P.O. Box 712, Mail Code #26
Trenton, NJ 08625-0712**FOR CMS USE ONLY**

16. DATE RECEIVED

September 28, 2026

17. DATE APPROVED

October 27, 2026

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

July 1, 2026

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

Rory Howe

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

Director, Financial Management Group

22. REMARKS

10/28/2026: State concurs with pen and ink change to Box 7.

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State of New Jersey

Reimbursement for In-State Acute Care Inpatient Hospital Services Graduate Medical
Education Trauma (GME-T)

Effective for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2027, \$84,500,000 in GME-T payments (paid in 12 equal monthly payments) shall be distributed to all eligible State's Level I and Level II Trauma Centers according to the following table:

NJ Department of Health SFY 2027 Graduate Medical Education-Trauma (GME-T) Subsidy Allocations July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027 Subsidy Total: \$84,500,000 Million		
HOSP NO	HOSPITAL NAME	SFY 2027 GME-T
1	Hackensack University Medical Center	\$6,872,692
14	Cooper Hospital/University MC	\$21,116,942
15	Morristown Medical Center	\$4,051,397
19	St. Joseph's University Medical Center	\$8,080,589
38	Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital	\$10,829,329
73	Jersey Shore University Medical Center	\$4,738,981
74	Jersey City Medical Center	\$3,904,138
92	Capital Health Regional Medical Center	\$2,262,590
119	University Hospital	\$20,313,040
640	Atlanticare Regional Medical Center	\$2,330,302
TOTAL		\$84,500,000

Distribution of GME-T in the Event of a Hospital Closure or Hospital Acquisition During or After SFY 2027: In the event of a hospital closure or hospital acquisition, GME-T allocations that would have been provided to the closed hospital are to be redistributed to the acquiring hospital. If the acquiring hospital is not receiving GME-T full-time equivalents (FTEs) from the closed or acquired hospital, the GME-T amount will be redistributed to all eligible hospitals by applying the current SFY GME-T payment formula excluding the closed or acquired hospital from the payment formula.

GME-T payments made to providers as referenced above are made pursuant to 42 CFR §438.60.

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The New Jersey GME formula adopts the Medicare DGME logic for calculating direct training costs, using per-resident cost $\times$ resident FTEs $\times$ Medicaid share of managed care days; and replicates the Medicare IME formula exactly, applying it to Medicaid managed care encounters instead of Medicare IPPS payments.

The State's formula also splits funding proportionally between DME and IME, as Medicare does via separate payment mechanisms.

The result is a Medicare-modeled GME system, adapted for Medicaid managed care populations and calibrated to a fixed annual subsidy amount.

The appeal process for distribution of GME-T is the same as the appeal process for GME.