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State/Territory Name: New Mexico

State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 20-0022

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3) Approved SPA Pages
Financial Management Group

May 5, 2021

Ms. Nicole Comeaux
Director
Medical Assistance Division
New Mexico Human Services Department
2025 South Pacheco Drive
P.O. Box 2348
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2348

RE: TN 20-0022

Dear Ms. Comeaux:

We have reviewed the proposed New Mexico State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B transmittal number 20-0022, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on February 22, 2021. This plan amendment is to modify rates payable to Indian Health Services and eligible tribal health facilities operating under P.L. 93-638.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of January 31, 2021. 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 Tamara Sampson at 214-767-6431 or Tamara.Sampson@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

Enclosures
**Transmittal and Notice of Approval of State Plan Material**

For: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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**To:** Regional Administrator  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Department of Health and Human Services

**Type of Plan Material (Check One)**

- [X] Amendment
- [ ] New State Plan  
- [ ] Amendment to be Considered as New Plan

**Complete Blocks 6 thru 10 if this is an amendment (Separate transmittal for each amendment)**

**6. Federal Statute/Regulation Citation**

42 CFR 136; PL 93-638; 1902(bb)(6) of the SSA

**7. Federal Budget Impact**

- FFY 21 (Feb-Sept) $ 700,593
- FFY 22 $ 1,069,806

**8. Page Number of the Plan Section or Attachment**

Attachment 4.19b, page 7f (new)

**9. Page Number of the Superseded Plan Section or Attachment (If Applicable)**

None (new page)

**10. Subject of Amendment**

Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) Designation

**11. Governor's Review (Check One)**

- [ ] Governor's Office reported no comment  
- Comments of Governor's Office enclosed  
- [X] No reply received within 45 days of transmittal

**12. Signature of State Agency Official**

[Signature]

**13. Typed Name**

Nicole Comeaux

**14. Title**

Director, Medical Assistance Division

**15. Date Submitted**

February 22, 2021

**16. Return To**

Nicole Comeaux, J.D., M.P.H., Director  
Medical Assistance Division  
P.O. Box 2348  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-2348

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**17. Date Received**

February 22, 2021

**18. Date Approved**

May 5, 2021

**Plan Approved - One Copy Attached**

**19. Effective Date of Approved Material**

January 31, 2021

**20. Signature of Regional Official**

[Signature]

**21. Typed Name**

Todd McMillion

**22. Title**

Director, Division of Reimbursement Review

**23. Remarks**

Instructions on Back
k. Alternative Payment Methodology for Tribal Facilities Recognized as FQHCs

For services provided by a qualified facility operated by the Indian Health Service (IHS), tribal government(s), or Indian Health Care Provider (IHCP), the applicable Office of Management and Budget (OMB) rate will be paid as published and specified in the Federal Register.

For qualified facilities operated by Indian Health Care Providers that contract with the Medicaid agency as a FQHC, an alternative payment method (APM) is allowed. The APM rate for services provided by an IHCP is set at the OMB rate. Providers must be notified of the APM rate and must agree to receive the APM. The APM will be at least equal to the PPS rate.

For purposes of being designated as a FQHC by Medicaid, an Indian Health Care Provider does not need to meet any requirement, other than meeting the P.L 93-638 requirement.