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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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June 22, 2023

Ms. Nicole Comeaux
Director
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New Mexico Human Services Department
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Re: New Mexico State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0019

Dear Director Nicole Comeaux:

We have reviewed the proposed New Mexico State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B, NM#22-0019, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on August 1, 2022. This SPA proposes a temporary rate increases for providers of personal care services (PCS) and private duty nursing (PDN) under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July, 1, 2022. 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 Monica Neiman at: Monica.Neiman@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 <u>2</u> <u>2</u> — <u>0</u> <u>0</u> <u>1</u> <u>9</u>	2. STATE <u>NM</u>
3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT <input checked="" type="radio"/> XIX <input type="radio"/> XXI	

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE July 1, 2022
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5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION Section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; Title 19 of the SSA and Sec 1135 of the SSA	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a. FFY <u>22</u> \$ <u>646</u> b. FFY <u>23</u> \$ <u>2,075</u>
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7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment 4.19-B, pg. 16	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 4.19-B, pg. 16 (HCFA 179 99-06)
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9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
Temporary rate increases for providers of personal care services (PCS) and private duty nursing (PDN) under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit.

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:
Authority delegated to the Medicaid Director

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 	15. RETURN TO Nicole Comeaux, J.D., M.P.H., Director Medical Assistance Division P.O. Box 2348 Santa Fe, NM 87504-2348
12. TYPED NAME Nicole Comeaux	
13. TITLE Director, Medical Assistance Division	
14. DATE SUBMITTED August 1, 2022	

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16. DATE RECEIVED August 1, 2022	17. DATE APPROVED June 22, 2023
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PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL July 1, 2022	19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Todd McMillion	21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Director, Division of Reimbursement Review

22. REMARKS

- (c) Private duty nursing services, Christian science nurse services, and personal care services. For fee-for-service providers of personal care services (PCS) and private duty nursing (PDN) under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit, effective May 12, 2023, reimbursement will be set at the same rate as 1915(c) provider rates. Thereafter, New Mexico Medicaid will apply a 10% reimbursement increase for July 1, 2022, to May 11, 2023 rates authorized by DR-NM-22-0023 and for base rates from May 12, 2023 through June 30, 2023 (as authorized by NM-23-0001) or until the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) 9817 funding is exhausted or expires, whichever is earlier. New Mexico Medicaid will apply a 5% reimbursement increase to base rates as authorized by NM-23-0001 for July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024 or until the ARPA 9817 funding is exhausted or expires, whichever is earlier. Reimbursements will be made to PCS and PDN providers under EPSDT as authorized under New Mexico's ARPA Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Spending Plan and Narrative and in accordance with Appendix B of the ARPA State Medicaid Director Letter, SMD# 21-003 *Implementation of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Section 9817*. Once Section 9817 ARP funding is fully expended, reimbursement will return to base levels in effect on May 12, 2023 (as authorized by NM-23-0001).

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers. All rates are published on the state's website at: <https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/fee-schedules/>

- (d) Services by licensed master's level practitioners including psychologists, counselors, and social workers, and other individually licensed practitioners.
- (e) Chiropractic services.
- (f) Orthodontic services and other dental services not otherwise covered in the state plan.
- (g) Services provided by school districts and local education agencies. Reimbursement will be at the same rate as other providers of the specific service rendered.
- (h) Services provided by Licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors (LADACs).

2. **Inpatient Institutional Services**

Inpatient services provided by JCAHO accredited institutions are reimbursed using the methodology for specialty hospitals according to the reimbursement principles, of 4.19-A.

3. **Outpatient Institutional Services**

Outpatient services provided by JCAHO accredited institutions are reimbursed using the methodology for outpatient hospital according to the reimbursement principles of 4.19- B, III.

4. **Rural Health Clinic and Federally Qualified Health Center Services**

Services by these providers are reimbursed in accordance with the reimbursement methodology described in 4.19-B, Item VIII.

5. **Durable Medical Equipment, Supplies, Prosthetics, and Orthotics**

These items are reimbursed in accordance with the reimbursement methodology described in 4.19-B, Item VII.

6. **Case Management**

Case Management services are reimbursed in accordance with the reimbursement methodology described in 4.19-B, Item X.