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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 22-0043

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September 23, 2022

Amir Bassiri  
Medicaid Director  
Office of Health Insurance Programs  
New York State Department of Health  
One Commerce Plaza Rm. 1605  
Albany, NY 12237

Re: New York State Plan Amendment (SPA) NY-22-0043

Dear Director Bassiri:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) NY-22-0043. This amendment proposes to reimburse licensed clinical social workers to bill Medicaid directly for services provided within their scope of practice.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This letter is to inform you that New York Medicaid SPA 22-0043 was approved on September 23, 2022, with an effective date of July 1, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact LCDR Frankeena McGuire at Frankeena.McGuire@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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James G. Scott, Director  
Division of Program Operations

cc: Regina Deyette, NYDOH
**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

**FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

**TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR**

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

1. **TRANSMITTAL NUMBER**

   220043

2. **STATE**

   New York

3. **PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)**

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4. **PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE**

   July 1, 2022

**5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One)**

- NEW STATE PLAN
- AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN
- AMENDMENT

**COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)**

6. **FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION**

   Section 1905(a)(6) of the Social Security Act, and 42 C.F.R. §440.60

7. **FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT**

   a. FFY 7/01/22-09/30/22 $831,816.00
   b. FFY 10/01/22-09/30/23 $3,327,264

8. **PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT**

   Attachment: 3.1-A: Page 3
   Attachment: 3.1-A Supplement: Page 2(xv)(3)
   Attachment: 3.1-B: Page 3
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9. **PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)**

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10. **SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT**

   Licensed Clinical Social Workers (FMAP=50%)

11. **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

12. **SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL**

13. **TYPED NAME**

   Amir Bassiri

14. **TITLE**

   Acting Medicaid Director, Department of Health

15. **DATE SUBMITTED**

   June 30, 2022

16. **RETURN TO**

   New York State Department of Health
   Division of Finance and Rate Setting
   99 Washington Ave – One Commerce Plaza
   Suite 1432
   Albany, NY 12210

17. **DATE RECEIVED**

   June 30, 2022

18. **DATE APPROVED**

   09/23/2022

19. **EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL**

   July 1, 2022

20. **SIGN**

21. **TYPED NAME**

   James G.Scott

22. **TITLE**

   Director, Division of Program Operations

23. **REMARKS**

   Instructions on Back
1905(a)(6) Medical Care, Or Any Other Type Of Remedial Care

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1905(a)(6) Medical Care, Or Any Other Type of Remedial Care

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In accordance with NYS Education Law, the supervision of LMSWs and LCSW and LMSW limited permit holders is within the scope of practice for LCSWs.
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Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSWs)

The state Medicaid program reimburses for services provided by a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) operating within their scope of practice, and for services rendered by Licensed Master Social Workers (LMSWs), LCSW limited permit holders, and LMSW limited permit holders under the supervision of a New York State (NYS) licensed practitioner.

The Medicaid fee schedule for LCSWs is effective for services provided on or after 4/1/2022. All rates are published online at:

• https://itf.www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/ClinicalSocWork/PDFS/ProcedureCodesFeeSchedule.pdf

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Effective Date July 1, 2022