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Financial Management Group

April 19, 2022

Ms. Meg Snead, Acting Secretary
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Department of Human Services
Office of Long-Term Living/Forum Place 6th Fl.
Bureau of Policy Development and Communications Management
P.O. Box 8025
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8025

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0009

Dear Ms. Snead:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0009. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-D of Pennsylvania’s Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the amendment will authorize supplemental payments to qualifying nursing facilities providing ventilator and tracheostomy care.

We conducted our review of this SPA according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), and 1903(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are approving Pennsylvania’s State plan amendment with an effective date of January 9, 2022. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan pages.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please call Gary Knight at (304) 347-5723.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Director
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

STATE: PA

PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
☐ XIX  ☐ XXI

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
January 1, 2022
January 9, 2022

FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION
42 CFR 447.250

FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
a. FFY 2021 $ 0
b. FFY 2022 $ 1,074,000

PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT
Attachment 4.19D, Part I, page 12n
Attachment 4.19D, Part Ia, page 5d

PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
Attachment 4.19D, Part I, page 12n
Attachment 4.19D, Part Ia, page 5d

SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
Supplemental ventilator care and tracheostomy care add-on payment to qualified nonpublic and county nursing facilities in Fiscal

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:

AGENCY OFFICIAL

TYPED NAME
M. Snead

TITLE
Acting Secretary of Human Services

DATE SUBMITTED
February 7, 2022

DATE RECEIVED
February 7, 2022

DATE APPROVED
April 19, 2022

RETURN TO
PA Department of Human Services
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Attention: Bureau of Policy Development and Communications Management
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EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
January 9, 2022

SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Rory Howe

TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Director Financial Management Group

REMARKS
Box#4 Pen and ink change for effective date to January 9, 2022 with state approval.
10. Supplemental Ventilator Care and Tracheostomy Care Add-on Payment

The Department will make payments in fiscal years (FYs) 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 to nonpublic and county nursing facilities that qualified for supplemental ventilator care and tracheostomy care payments in FY 2014-2015. To qualify, a nonpublic and county nursing facility had to qualify for at least one supplemental ventilator care and tracheostomy care payment in FY 2014-2015 with a percentage of Medical Assistance residents who required medically necessary ventilator care or tracheostomy care greater than 90 percent using the quarterly payment files located on the Department’s website.

The Department will calculate each qualified nursing facility’s add-on payment by dividing the total funds for the supplemental ventilator care and tracheostomy care payment by the number of qualified nursing facilities.

The state funds allocated for nonpublic and county nursing facilities for a FY is as follows:

- FY 2017-2018 is $750,000.
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