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08/06/2026

Valerie A. Arkoosh, MD, MPH
Secretary of Human Services
Office of Long-Term Living/Forum Place 6th Fl
ATTN: Bureau of Policy Development and Communications Management
PO Box 8025
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-8025

RE: TN 26-0010

Dear Secretary of Human Services Arkoosh:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed Pennsylvania state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-D PA 26-0010, which was submitted to CMS on May 29, 2026. This plan amendment authorizes the Department to make a supplementation payment to certain nonpublic nursing facilities in a county of the eighth class in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026.

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 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 April 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 Kristina Mack at 617-565-1225 or via email at Kristina.Mack-Webb@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

Rory Howe
Director
Financial Management Group

Enclosures

FORM APPROVED
OMB No. 0938-0193

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL

FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER
2 6 — 0 0 1 0

2. STATE
PA

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
(●) XIX ( ) XXI

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
April 1, 2026

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION
42 CFR 447.250

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
a. FFY 2025 $ 0
b. FFY 2026 $ 3,189,577

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT
Attachment 4.19D, Part I, pages 12k3 and 12k4

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT *(If Applicable)*
Attachment 4.19D, Part I, pages 12k3 and 12k4

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

Fiscal Year 2025-2026 supplementation payment for Medical Assistance nonpublic nursing facilities located in a county of the eigh

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
[redacted]

12. TYPED NAME
Valerie A. Arkoosh, MD, MPH

13. TITLE
Secretary of Human Services

14. DATE SUBMITTED
5/29/26

15. RETURN TO
PA Department of Human Services
Office of Long-Term Living/Forum Place 6th Floor
Attention: Bureau of Policy Development and Communications Management
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Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-8025

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16. DATE RECEIVED
May 29, 2026

17. DATE APPROVED
08/06/2026

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
[redacted]

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Rory Howe

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Director, Financial Management Group

22. REMARKS

7f. *Supplementation Payment for Nonpublic Nursing Facilities in a County of the Eighth Class*

The Department will make a nonpublic nursing facility supplementation payment in fiscal year 2023-2024 to qualified nonpublic nursing facilities located in a county of the eighth class. To qualify for the supplementation payment, a nonpublic nursing facility must be located in a county of the eighth class, have more than 119 beds and a Medicaid acuity of 1.11 as of August 1, 2022. The number of beds will be the number of licensed beds as of August 1, 2022, and the Medicaid acuity will be determined using the Case Mix Index (CMI) Report for the August 1, 2022, Picture Date in accordance with Attachment 4.19D, Part I, Supplement I.

A nonpublic nursing facility's supplementation payment is calculated by multiplying the supplementation per diem by the number of paid MA facility and therapeutic leave days for the prior fiscal year. The supplementation per diem will be calculated by dividing the total funds available by the total number of paid MA facility and therapeutic leave days for the prior fiscal year for qualifying facilities.

The state funds allocated for nonpublic nursing facilities for a FY is as follows:
FY 2019-2020 is $5,000,000.
FY 2020-2021 is $5,000,000.
FY 2021-2022 is $5,000,000.
FY 2022-2023 is $5,000,000.
FY 2023-2024 is $5,000,000.

7g. *Supplementation Payment for Nonpublic Nursing Facilities in a County of the Eighth Class*

(a) The Department of Human Services will make a nonpublic nursing facility supplementation payment in Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 to qualified nonpublic nursing facilities located in a county of the eighth class. To qualify for the supplementation payment, a nonpublic nursing facility must be located in a county of the eighth class, have more than 119 beds and a Medicaid acuity of 1.11 as of August 1, 2022. The number of beds will be the number of licensed beds as of August 1, 2022, and the Medicaid acuity will be determined using the Case Mix Index Report for the August 1, 2022, Picture Date in accordance with Attachment 4.19D, Part I, Supplement I.

(b) A nonpublic nursing facility's supplementation payment is calculated by multiplying the supplementation per diem by the number of paid Medical Assistance (MA) facility and therapeutic leave days for the prior Fiscal Year (FY). The supplementation per diem will be calculated by dividing the total funds available by the total number of paid MA facility and therapeutic leave days for the prior FY for qualifying facilities.

The state funds allocated for nonpublic nursing facilities for a FY are as follows:

FY 2024-2025 is $5,000,000.
FY 2025-2026 is $2,500,000, effective April 1, 2026.