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Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group

June 6, 2025

Monica Ogelby, Medicaid Director Vermont Agency of Human Services 280 State Drive - Center Building Waterbury, VT 05671

Re: Vermont State Plan Amendment (SPA) 25-0001

Dear Director Ogelby:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 25-0001. This amendment proposes to update limits and prior authorization requirements for physical, occupational and speech/language therapy services to reduce the burden to access these services.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations in accordance with 42 CFR §430.12(c)(1)(ii). This letter informs you that Vermont's Medicaid SPA TN 25-0001 was approved on June 6, 2025, effective January 1, 2025.

Enclosed are copies of Form CMS 179 and the approved SPA page to be incorporated into the Vermont State Plan.

If you have any questions, please contact Gilson DaSilva at (617) 565-1227 or via email at Gilson.DaSilva@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,



Shantrina Roberts, Acting Director Division of Program Operations

Enclosures

cc: Dylan Frazer, Deputy Director of Medicaid Policy

03/31/2025

01/01/2025

Shantrina Roberts

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	F@RM APPR@VED OMB N0, 0938-0193	
TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL O STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICE		
TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE 1/1/25	
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 42 CFR §430.12(c)(1)(ii)	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a FFY 2025 \$ 0 b. FFY 2026 \$ 0	
7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Att. 3.1-A page 4e	8. PAGENUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (<i>If Applicable</i>) Att. 3.1-A page 4e	
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT Increase limits for PT/OT/ST for adults; remove limits for benefit	ciaries under 21	
10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One) O GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL	OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Approval from Agency of Admin.	
11 SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 12. TYPED NAME Monica Oge by 13. TITLE MEDICAID DIRECTOR, AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES 14. DATE SUBMITTED 3/31/2025	15. RETURN TO DYLAN FRAZER DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS 280 STATE DRIVE WATERBURY, VT 05671-1010 DYLAN.FRAZER@VERMONT.GOV	
FOR CMS USE ONLY 16. DATE RECEIVED 17. DATE APPROVED		

FORM	CMS-179 (09/24)	

22, REMARKS

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

06/06/2025

Acting Director, Division of Program Operations

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

ITEM 11. PHYSICAL THERAPY AND RELATED SERVICES

A, B, & C Physical therapy, occupational therapy and services for individuals with speech, hearing, and language disorders are covered

For beneficiaries aged 21 and older, services are limited to sixty (60) therapy visits per calendar year and include any combination of physical therapy (PT), occupational therapy (OT) and speech/language therapy (ST). These limits may be exceeded based on medical necessity and must be prior approved.

Outpatient PT, OT, and ST services are limited to one hour, per discipline, per day, except for wheelchair evaluations. These limits can be exceeded when medically necessary.

All therapy providers meet the provider qualifications described in 42 CFR 440.110

PT, OT, and ST for an inpatient of a nursing facility are covered in the nursing facility per diem.

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