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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 22-0020

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July 11, 2022

Cynthia Beane, MSW, LCSW
Commissioner
Bureau for Medical Services
350 Capitol Street, Room 251
Charleston, WV  25301-3706

Re:  West Virginia State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0020

Dear Commissioner Beane:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reviewed your Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 22-0020. This amendment proposes to update third-party liability requirements.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to statutory requirements in Title XIX of the Social Security Act and implementing regulations. This letter is to inform you that West Virginia Medicaid SPA 22-0020 was approved on July 11, 2022, with an effective date of April 1, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Belnap at 215-861-4273 or via email at Dan.Belnap@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Nicole McKnight, Acting Director
Division of Program Operations

cc:  Sarah Young
     Fred Lewis
     Britany Mullins
     Riley Romeo
**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

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**9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT**

This amendment proposes to update Third Party Liability requirements as authorized under the Bipartisan Budget Act (BBA) of 2018 (Pub. L. 115-123) and the Medicaid Services Investment and Accountability Act (MSIAA) of 2019 (Pub. L. 116-16).

**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

**12. TYPED NAME**
Cynthia Beane

**13. TITLE**
Commissioner, WV Bureau for Medical Services

**14. DATE SUBMITTED**
06/28/2022

**15. RETURN TO**
Bureau for Medical Services
350 Capitol Street Room 251
Charleston West Virginia 25301

**16. DATE RECEIVED**
June 28, 2022

**17. DATE APPROVED**
07/11/2022

**18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL**
April 1, 2022

**19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL**
[Redacted]

**20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL**
Nicole McKnight

**21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL**
Acting Director, Division of Program Operations

**22. REMARKS**

**Instructions on Back**
STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
STATE / TERRITORY: West Virginia

Requirements for Third Party Liability
Payment of Claims

West Virginia has established methods through which providers must screen for Third Party Liability (TPL) payments where TPL is known to exist, prior to submitting claims to Medicaid. The Third-Party Liability (TPL) Program is designed to function primarily as a cost avoidance system.

West Virginia complies with the following TPL requirements:

Social Security Act Section 1902 (a)(25)(E): Applying cost avoidance procedures to claims for prenatal services, including labor, delivery, and postpartum care services.

Social Security Act Section 1902 (a)(25)(E): Making payment without regard to potential third-party liability for pediatric preventive services, unless the state has made a determination related to cost-effectiveness and access to care that warrants cost avoidance for up to 90 days.

Social Security Act Section 1902 (a)(25)(F): Making payment for claims related to child support enforcement beneficiaries without regard to potential third-party liability, if payment has not been made by the third party within 100 days after the provider submitted a claim to the third party, except that West Virginia may make such payment within 30 days after such date if it determines doing so is cost effective and necessary to ensure access to care.

Threshold Amounts for Purposes of Seeking Recovery from a Liable Third Party Pursuant to 42 C.F.R §433.139(f)(2).

West Virginia will seek recovery unless the agency determines that the recovery will not be cost effective. The thresholds listed below will be used as a guideline to recover from liable third parties.

Threshold Amounts and Timing for Purposes of Seeking Recoveries Pursuant to 42 C.F.R §433.139(f)(3).

West Virginia will seek recovery unless the agency determines that the recovery will not be cost effective. A thresholds listed below will be used as a guideline to recover from liable third parties.

- Inpatient Hospital: $500.00
- Outpatient Hospital: $200.00
- Physician: $100.00
- Dentist: $100.00
- Laboratory/Radiology: $200.00
- Pharmacy: $50.00
- Home Health: $100.00
- Transportation: $100.00
- Vision/Eyeglasses: $200.00
- Durable Medical Equipment and Supplies: $200.00
- Therapist: $200.00
(c) Providers are required to bill liable third parties when services covered under the plan are furnished to an individual on whose behalf child support enforcement is being carried out by the State IV-D agency.

(d) ATTACHMENT 4.22-B specifies the following:

1. The method used in determining a provider's compliance with the third-party billing requirements at §433.139(b)(3)(ii)(C).

2. The threshold amount or other guideline used in determining whether to seek recovery of reimbursement from a liable third party, or the process by which the agency determines that seeking recovery of reimbursement would not be cost effective.

3. The dollar amount or time period the State uses to accumulate billings from a particular liable third party in making the decision to seek recovery of reimbursement.

(e) The Medicaid agency ensures that the provider furnishing a service for which a third party is liable follows the restrictions specified in 42 CFR 447.20.