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### Financial Management Group

November 4, 2022

Mr. Drew Snyder, Executive Director Mississippi Division of Medicaid Attention: Margaret Wilson 550 High Street, Suite 1000 Jackson, MS 39201-1399

RE: Mississippi State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 22-0014

Dear Mr. Snyder:

We have reviewed the proposed Mississippi State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0014, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) September 8, 2022. This plan amendment was submitted to allow the encounter rate for clinic services to be updated July 1 of each year.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July 1, 2022. 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 Monica Neiman at 945-356-1231 or via email at monica.neiman@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

Todd McMillion Director Division of Reimbursement Review

**Enclosures** 

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES  TO: CENTER DIRECTOR	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER  2 2 0 0 1 4 MS  3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT  XIX XXI  4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	July 1, 2022
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 42 C.F.R. § 447.201 , 1905(a)(9) Clinic services under direction of a physician.  7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment 4.19-B, page 9  TN: 22-0014	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a FFY 2022 \$ 0 b FFY 2023 \$ 0  8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 4.19-B, page 9  TN: 21-0026
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0014 is being submitted to allow the encounter rate for clinic services to be updated July 1 of each year.  10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)  On Other As specified:	
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT  COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED  NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL	
12. TYPED NAME Att	RETURN TO  ew L. Snyder es. Division of Medicaid n: Robin Bradshaw 0 High Street, Suite 1000
	ekson, MS 39201-1399
FOR CMS USE ONLY	
September 8, 2022	DATE APPROVED Dvember 4, 2022
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED	
18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL July 1, 2022	SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
Todd McMillion Di	TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL rector, Division of Reimbursement Review
22. REMARKS  Pen and Ink change approved by the State and processed by CMS on the following fields:  Box 5: 1905(a)(9) Clinic services under direction of a physician  Box 7: TN: 22-0014  Box 8: TN: 21-0026	

## STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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State of Mississippi

# METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES – OTHER TYPES OF CARE

Clinic Services

Reimbursement is for services rendered by the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) clinics. Reimbursement is based on cost reports submitted by the provider. In order to be reimbursed at cost, the provider must demonstrate its cost finding methodology and use a cost report approved by CMS. The provider is required to submit a cost report for each clinic type using the Medicare Cost Report Form 222. The encounter rate will be determined by dividing total reasonable cost by total encounters but will not exceed the upper limits specified in 42 CFR §§ 447.321 through 447.325. The rate for an encounter is limited to one (1) visit per day per beneficiary. An encounter is defined as services provided by physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, clinical psychologists, dentists, optometrists, ophthalmologists and clinical social workers. A clinic's encounter rate covers the beneficiary's visit to the clinic, including all services and supplies, such as drugs and biologicals that are not usually self-administered by the patient, furnished as an incident to a professional service. The established rate setting period is July 1 to June 30. The Division of Medicaid requires the MSDH to submit the cost report by November 30 of each year, five (5) calendar months after the close of the cost reporting period. If a materially complete cost report is not filed by the end of the following fiscal year, claims payments to the provider will be held until the cost report is submitted to Medicaid. The cost report must be uploaded electronically to the cost report database as designated by the Division of Medicaid. An interim rate is paid until the end of the reporting period when there is a retrospective cost settlement. The interim rate is the established rate for the prior fiscal year. Actual reasonable costs reported on the cost report are divided by actual encounters by clinic type to determine the actual cost per encounter. Overpayments will be recouped from the provider, and underpayments will be paid to the provider.

The encounter rates are updated annually on July 1, and are effective for services provided on or after July 1. Rates for the MSDH clinics are published on the Division of Medicaid's website at <a href="https://www.medicaid.ms.gov/FeeScheduleLists.aspx.">www.medicaid.ms.gov/FeeScheduleLists.aspx.</a>

The Division of Medicaid covers for all medically necessary services for EPSDT-eligible beneficiaries without regard to service limitations and with prior authorization.