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### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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# **Financial Management Group**

March 12, 2021

Jami Snyder, Director Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 801 E. Jefferson Phoenix, AZ 85034

RE: Arizona SPA 20-0028

Dear Ms. Snyder:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-D of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 20-0028. This amendment updates the nursing facility Differential Adjusted Payment (DAP) program effective October 1, 2020.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), and 1903(a) of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. This is to inform you that Medicaid State plan amendment TN 20-0028 is approved effective October 1, 2020. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan pages.

If you have any questions, please call Mark Wong at (415) 744-3561.

Sincerely,

For Rory Howe Acting Director

**Enclosures** 

	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER	2. STATE
TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF	2 0 — 0 2 8	Arizona
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	STATE PLAN MATERIAL ————————————————————————————————————	
FOR. CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICARD SERVICES	SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE	
CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	October 1, 2020	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One)		
□ NEW STATE PLAN □ AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN □ AMENDMENT		
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)		
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY 2021 \$ 595,	000
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8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSED OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)	DED PLAN SECTION
Attachment 4.19-D	Attachment 4.19-D	
Page 9(b)	Page 9(b)	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT		
Updates the State Plan to update the NF DAP program.		
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)		
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT OTHER, AS SPECIFIED		
<ul> <li>□ COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED</li> <li>□ NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL</li> </ul>		
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13. TYPED NAME	Dana Flannery	
Dana Flannery  14. TITLE	801 E. Jefferson, MD#4200 Phoenix, Arizona 85034	
Assistant Director	Thoenix, Anzona 65054	
15. DATE SUBMITTED 12/17/2020		
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17. DATE RECEIVED December 17. 2020	8. DATE APPROVED 3/12/21	
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED		
	0. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL	
October 1, 2020	F	or
	2. TITLE	
Rory Howe	Acting Director, Financial Management G	roup
23. REMARKS		
Pen-and-ink change made to Box 7 by CMS with state concurrence on 1/20/2021.		

# STATE OF ARIZONA METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING FEE-FOR-SERVICE PAYMENT RATES FOR LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES

## F. <u>Nursing Facility Differential Adjusted Payment</u>

As of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 (Contract Year Ending (CYE) 2021 ), Provider type 22 nursing facilities that are located in Arizona with Arizona Medicaid utilization that meet AHCCCS established value based performance metrics requirements below will receive one or both of the Differential Adjusted Payments described below The Differential Adjusted Payment Schedule represents a positive adjustment to the AHCCCS Fee-For-Service rates. These payment adjustments will occur for all dates of service in CYE 2021 only. The purpose of the Differential Adjusted Payment is to distinguish facilities which have committed to supporting designated actions that improve patients' care experience, improve members' health, and reduce cost of care growth.

- 1. To qualify for the Differential Adjusted Payment, a nursing facility must meet the following criteria:
  - a) Must be an AHCCCS registered provider type 22; and
  - b) Must be at or below the Arizona average percent of High-Risk Residents with Pressure Ulcers (Long Stay) based on the facility's performance results for long-stay, high-risk residents with Stage II-IV pressure ulcers reported in MDS 3.0 for this CMS Nursing Home Quality Measure metric as of May 12 , 2020 .
  - c) On May 12 , 2020 , AHCCCS will download data from the Medicare Nursing Home Compare website for the percent of long-stay residents with a urinary tract infection (UTI). Facility results will be compared to the Arizona Average results for the measure. Facilities with percentages less than or equal to the state-wide average score will qualify for the DAP increase.
- Nursing facilities that meet the requirements described in subsection 1 shall be eligible to receive a differential adjusted payment. Eligible nursing facilities as described in 1.b. will receive a 1% increase to its fee-for-service reimbursement rate for October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 .
  - Nursing facilities that meet the requirements described in subsection 1 shall be eligible to receive a differential adjusted payment. Eligible nursing facilities as described in 1.c. will receive a 1% increase to its fee-for-service reimbursement rate for October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 .

### **Exemptions:**

IHS and 638 tribally owned and/or operated facilities, including nursing facilities are exempt from this initiative based on payments primarily at the all-inclusive rate.

### **Payment Methodology**

For Provider Type 22 nursing facilities, the fee-for-service payment rates will be increased by 1.0% if they meet the Pressure Ulcer requirements outlined in F.1.b and by 1.0% if they meet the UTI performance requirements outlined in F.1.c. A Provider Type 22 facility meeting both Pressure Ulcer and UTI requirements will receive a combined 2.0% increase. These increases do not apply to supplemental payments.

TN No. 20-028

Supersedes Approval Date: 3/12/21 Effective Date: October 1, 2020

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