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## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services 233 North Michigan Ave., Suite 600 Chicago, Illinois 60601



## **Financial Management Group**

September 21, 2023

Director: Stephanie Stephens State Medicaid/CHIP Director Health and Human Services Commission Mail Code: H100 Post Office Box 13247

RE: Texas TN 23-0030

Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Director: Emily Zalkovsky,

We have reviewed the proposed Texas State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B, TX#23-0030, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 15, 2023. The proposed amendment updates the physicians and other practitioners fee schedules.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July 1, 2023. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan page.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Monica Neiman 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 CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  July 1, 2023
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
Social Security Act §§1902(a)(30), 1905(a)(5)(A) Physician servic NIPT; 1905(a)(6) Other Licensed Practitioner - medical or remedial care NIPT; 42 CFR §447.201(b).	es a FFY 2023 \$ \$0 b. FFY 2024 \$ \$0
7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT	8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)
Attachment 4.19-B 4.19-B Pages 1a.3	Attachment 4.19-B 4.19-B Pages 1a.3 (TN 23-0012)
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT	•
The proposed amendment updates the physicians and other practitioners fee schedules.	
10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)	
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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT	OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Sent to Governor's Office this
COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED	date. Comments, if any, will be forwarded upon receipt.
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11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL	15. RETURN TO
	Emily Zalkovsky
12. TYPED NAME	State Medicaid Director
Emily Zalkovsky	Post Office Box 13247, MC: H-100
13. TITLE State Medicaid Director	Austin, Texas 78711
14. DATE SUBMITTED	
September 15, 2023	
FOR CMS USE ONLY	
16. DATE RECEIVED	17. DATE APPROVED
September 15, 2023	September 21, 2023
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18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL	19 SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
July 1, 2023	
20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Todd McMillion	21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Director, Division of Reimbursement Review
22. REMARKS	

## 1. Physicians and Other Practitioners (continued)

- (f) When a procedure code is nationally discontinued, a replacement procedure code is nationally assigned for the discontinued procedure code, Medicaid implements the replacement procedure code, and a state plan amendment will not be submitted since the fee for the service has not changed.
- (g) All fee schedules are available through the agency's website, as outlined in Attachment 4.19-B, page 1.
- (h) The agency's fee schedule was revised with new fees for services provided by physicians and other practitioners affiliated with tuberculosis clinics or employed by tuberculosis clinics, effective July 1, 2018. This fee schedule was posted on the agency's website on July 6, 2018.
- (i) The agency's fee schedule was revised with new fees for therapy assistants. Effective September 1, 2019, the reimbursement for therapy assistants will equal 80 percent of the payment to a therapist.
- (j) The agency's fee schedule was revised with new fees to include peer specialists, effective March 1, 2022. This fee schedule will be posted on the agency's website on or prior to March 15, 2022.
- (k) For dates of service on or after February 1, 2021, the reimbursement for services provided by a licensed assistant behavioral analyst will be reimbursed at 80 percent of the rate paid to a licensed behavior analyst.
- (I) The agency's fee schedule was revised with new fees for physicians and other practitioners effective July 1, 2023. The fee schedule will be posted on the agency website by September 15, 2023.

TN: 23-0030 Approval date: September 21, 2023

Supersedes TN: 23-0012 Effective Date: 07/01/2023