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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

October 12, 2023

Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Health and Human Services
Office of Medicaid
One Ashburton Place, Room 1109
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

RE: Massachusetts State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 23-0052

Dear Assistant Secretary Levine:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B of Massachusetts's state plan, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 29, 2023. This plan amendment updates the methods and standards used to determine the rates of payment for Children's Behavioral Health Initiative services.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of August 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 Debi Benson at 1-312-886-0360 or Deborah.Benson@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**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER

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2. STATE

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3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

TO: CENTER DIRECTOR
CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

08/01/2023

5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

42 CFR Part 440, 1905(a)(13)

6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)

a. FFY 23 \$ 0
b. FFY 24 \$ 0

7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

Attachment 4.19-B page 2C, 2D

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)

Attachment 4.19-B page 2C, 2D

9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

An amendment to the payment methodologies for Children's Behavioral Health Initiative services (CBHI)

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

- OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:
Not required under 42 CFR 430.12(b)(2)(i)

11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

[Redacted Signature]

12. TYPED NAME
Mike Levine

13. TITLE
Assistant Secretary for MassHealth

14. DATE SUBMITTED
09/29/2023

15. RETURN TO

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Health and Human Services
Office of Medicaid
One Ashburton Place, 3rd Floor
Boston, MA 02108

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16. DATE RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 29, 2023

17. DATE APPROVED
October 12, 2023

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
AUGUST 1, 2023

19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL

[Redacted Signature]

20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
TODD MCMILLION

21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF REIMBURSEMENT REVIEW

22. REMARKS

State Plan Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act
State: Massachusetts
Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates -- Other Types of Care

- t. Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment services for individuals under 21 years of age, and treatment of conditions found.

The rate methodology used to create the following fee schedules for are based on a model budget that accounts for program costs (direct and indirect) and maximum productive time specific for the provision of each service. The data sources for program costs include cost reports and salary data from providers of these and other similar behavioral health services. Maximum productive time for each service was derived by assessing the time available for direct billable contacts by eligible direct care staff.

Mobile Crisis Intervention – The fee-for-service rates are effective for services provided on or after August 1, 2023. Rates for services provided by community behavioral health centers in on-site and community-based sites of services are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-30500-rates-for-behavioral-health-services-provided-in-community-behavioral-health-centers>. Rates for services provided in other settings are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Behavioral Management Therapy – The fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after August 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Behavioral Management Monitoring - The fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after August 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

In-Home Therapy –The fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after August 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Therapeutic training and support –The fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after August 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

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State: Massachusetts
Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates -- Other Types of Care

Therapeutic Mentoring Services –The fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after August 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Family Support and Training Services - The current fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after August 1, 2023. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35200-rates-of-payment-for-certain-childrens-behavioral-health-services>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Applied Behavior Analyst Services – The current fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after October 1, 2022. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-35800-rates-of-payment-for-applied-behavior-analysis>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Preventive Behavioral Health Services – The current fee-for-service rates are effective for service provided on or after September 1, 2021. All rates are published on <https://www.mass.gov/regulations/101-CMR-30600-rates-of-payment-for-mental-health-services-provided-in-community-health-and-mental-health-centers>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.