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# State Territory Name: NEW HAMPSHIRE

## State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 23-0050

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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**

November 29, 2023

Lori A. Weaver Interim Commissioner Department of Health and Human Services 129 Pleasant St. Concord, NH 03301

#### RE: New Hampshire State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 23-0050

Dear Interim Commissioner Weaver:

We have reviewed the proposed New Hampshire State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B submitted under TN-23-0050, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 21, 2023. This plan updates the rates for Free Standing Laboratories and Freestanding X-ray Services.

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.

Please note that our approval relates only to the requested change in payment methodology and that the resultant rates and related expenditures are consistent with section 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Act. CMS may still have questions on the funding structure in determining it's consistent with sections 1902(a)(2), 1903(a), and 1903(w) of the Act as implemented by 42 CFR §433.54. Approval of the subject SPA does not relieve the state of its responsibility to comply with federal laws and regulations, and to ensure that claims for federal funding are consistent with all applicable requirements. On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, CMS issued a letter on the New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Trust Fund, in companion to the approval of New Hampshire's Medicaid managed care state directed payment preprints. The letter requested additional information to allow CMS to further review the state's sources of non-federal share financing of the Medicaid adult expansion population. The result of that review may also be applicable to the expenditures related to the payments authorized in this SPA.

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

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TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER 2. STATE
STATE PLAN MATERIAL	23 - 0050 NH
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL
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TO CENTER DIRECTOR	
TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	July 1, 2023
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)
42 CFR 440.30, 42 CFR Part 447	a FFY 2023 \$ 455 b FFY 2024 \$ 1,821
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Attachment 4.19-B, Page 1-1	Attachment 4.19-B, Page 1-1, (TN 23-0014)
9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT	
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10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)	
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11. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL	5. RETURN TO
	ody Farwell
	Division of Medicaid Services/Brown Building
	Department of Health and Human Service 29 Pleasant Street
13. TITLE	Concord, NH 03301
Associate Commissioner	
14. DATE SUBMITTED September 21, 2023	
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	7. DATE APPROVED
SEPTEMBER 21, 2023	November 29, 2023
PLAN APPROVED - ON	E COPY ATTACHED
18. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL	9. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
JULY 1, 2023	
	1. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL
TODD MCMILLION DI	RECTOR, DIVISION OF REIMBURSEMENT REVIEW
22. REMARKS	

#### PAYMENT RATES FOR ALL TYPES OF CARE OTHER THAN INPATIENT HOSPITAL, SKILLED NURSING, OR INTERMEDIATE NURSING CARE SERVICES

2. <u>A) Freestanding Laboratory Services</u>: Payment is made in accordance with a fee schedule established by the Department. Rates were set as of July 1, 2023, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. Quarterly updates to the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System are incorporated into the fee schedule at 80% of the Medicare rate. No provider shall bill or charge the department more than the provider's usual and customary charge. All fee schedules are accessible at <u>www.nhmmis.nh.gov</u>, under the "documents and forms" tab under "documentation," and are applicable to all public and private providers.

<u>B)</u> Freestanding X-Ray Services: Payment is made in in accordance with a fee schedule established by the Department. Rates were set as of July 1, 2023, and are effective for services provided on or after that date. Quarterly updates to the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System are incorporated into the fee schedule at 60% of the Medicare rate. No provider shall bill or charge the department more than the provider's usual and customary charge. All fee schedules are accessible at <u>www.nhmmis.nh.gov</u>, under the "documents and forms" tab under "documentation," and are applicable to all public and private providers.

3. <u>Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment</u>: Payment is made in accordance with the methodology and time frames established for the particular service being rendered as described elsewhere in this attachment. For example, a laboratory service provided to an EPSDT recipient would be reimbursed as per the above. All fee schedules are accessible at <u>www.nhmmis.nh.gov</u>, under the "documents and forms" tab under "documentation," and are applicable to all public and private providers.

Note: When it is stated that "rates were set as of," this indicates the most recent date rates were changed on one or more codes for the type of service/practitioner in question. It is not meant to imply that all of the codes pertaining to the type of service/practitioner in question were changed or reviewed.