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**Financial Management Group**

February 25, 2020

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California Department of Health Care Services  
P.O. Box 997413, MS 0000  
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 19-0035


Dear Ms. Cooper:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number 19-0035. This amendment provides for supplemental payments for private hospital inpatient services for the service period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a), and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We have found that the proposed reimbursement methodology complies with applicable requirements and therefore have approved it with an effective date of July 1, 2019. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended approved plan pages.

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

Sincerely,

  
Kristin Fan  
Director

<b>TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE &amp; MEDICAID SERVICES</b>	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER <u>1 9 — 0 0 35</u>	2. STATE California
	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE July 1, 2019	

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One)

NEW STATE PLAN       AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN       AMENDMENT

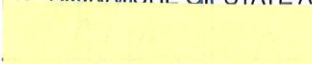
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 42 C.F.R. Subpart C	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY 2019      \$ <del>34,197,634.02</del> 16,427,484 b. FFY 2020      \$ <del>102,592,902.07</del> 49,282,452
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Supplement 6 to Attachment 4.19-A pages 1-2 <b>Supplement 7</b>	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) n/a

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT  
Supplemental Payments for Hospital Inpatient Services

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)


GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT       OTHER, AS SPECIFIED  
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED  
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL  Mari Cantwell	16. RETURN TO Department of Health Care Services Attn: Director's Office P.O. Box 997413, MS 0000 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413
14. TITLE State Medicaid Director	
15. DATE SUBMITTED September 19, 2019	

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17. DATE RECEIVED September 19, 2019	18. DATE APPROVED February 25, 2020
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**PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED**

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL July 1, 2019	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL 
21. TYPED NAME Kristin Fan	22. TITLE Director, FMG

23. REMARKS  
For Box 11 "Other, As Specified," Please note: The Governor's Office does not wish to review the State Plan Amendment.

Pen-and-ink changes to Boxes 7 and 8 made by CMS, with state concurrence.

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT  
STATE: California

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**One-time Supplemental Payment for Eligible Providers  
Subject to Subacute Payment Reductions in SPA 14-001**

Effective July 1, 2019, the Department shall make a one-time supplemental payment for inpatient hospital services to Eligible Providers.

**Eligible Providers**

A provider shall be eligible only if the provider:

1. Participated in the Department's Hospital Quality Assurance Fee (HQAF) Program during the eligibility period;
2. Provided Medi-Cal subacute services during the 2010 calendar year and had a Medicaid inpatient utilization rate less than or equal to 5 percent and greater than or equal to 43 percent.
3. Was not a closed or converted hospital (as those terms are defined in Welfare & Institutions Code § 14169.51) at any time during the Eligibility Period; and
4. Is an enrolled Medi-Cal provider participating in the Department's HQAF Program during the Supplemental Payment Service Period. A provider will be ineligible to receive payments for any period in which they are ineligible to receive HQAF payments during the Supplemental Payment Service Period. Payments shall be made to a provider that becomes ineligible during a subject fiscal quarter by multiplying the hospital's supplemental payment by the number of days that the hospital was eligible in the subject fiscal quarter, divided by the number of days in the subject fiscal quarter.

**Eligibility Period**

The Eligibility Period is January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, inclusive.

**Supplemental Payment Service Period**

The Supplemental Payment Service Period is July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, inclusive.

**Eligibility Pool**

The Eligibility Pool will be an aggregate of fixed proportional supplemental payments

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based on an Eligible Provider's provision of Medi-Cal inpatient subacute services during the 2010 calendar year, as reflected in the state paid claims file prepared by the department on April 26, 2013.

The Eligibility Pool amount is \$111,127,915.50.

**Payment Methodology**

1. Eligible Providers will be paid supplemental amounts based on the provision of hospital subacute inpatient services for the program supplemental payment service period.
2. "Hospital inpatient services" means all services covered under Medi-Cal and furnished by Eligible Providers to patients who are admitted as hospital inpatients and reimbursed on a fee-for-service basis by the Department directly or through its fiscal intermediary. Hospital inpatient services includes outpatient services furnished by an Eligible Provider to a patient who is admitted within 24 hours of the provision of the outpatient services that are related to the condition for which the patient is admitted. Hospital inpatient services does not include professional services or services for which a managed health care plan is financially responsible.
3. For the subject fiscal quarters in subject fiscal year 2019-20, the subacute supplemental rate shall be 80 percent of the Medi-Cal subacute payments paid by the department to the hospital during the 2010 calendar year, as reflected in the state paid claims file prepared by the department on April 26, 2013. The amount computed will be divided by four to arrive at the quarterly payment amounts for the four quarters in subject fiscal year 2019-20.
4. The supplemental payment amounts will be in addition to any other amounts payable to Eligible Providers with respect to hospital inpatient services and will not affect any other payments to hospitals.
5. The payment amounts set forth in this Supplement are inclusive of federal financial participation.

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