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Region VIII

May 24, 2010

Joan Henneberry, Executive Director
Medical Assistance Office
Department of Health Care Policy and Financing
1570 Grant Street
Denver, CO 80203

RE: Colorado #10-001

Dear Ms. Henneberry:

We are pleased to inform you that Colorado's State Plan amendment 10-001 has been approved effective February 15, 2010. This State Plan concerns payment rates for physician services.



If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Diane Dunstan-Murphy at (303) 844-7040.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard C. Allen
Associate Regional Administrator
Division for Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

cc: Sandeep Wadhwa, M.D.
David Smith
Rachel Gibbons
John Bartholomew

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 10-001	2. STATE: COLORADO
		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 2/15/10	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One): NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS A NEW PLAN X AMENDMENT			
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 42 CFR 440.50		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY 2010 (\$786,035) w/ ARRA b. FFY 2011 (\$1,080,156) w/ partial ARRA	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment 4.19-B: Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Physician Services		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 4.19-B: Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Physician Services (TN 09-024)	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT Methods and standards for establishing payment rates for physician services. February 15, 2010 – Changed some procedure codes from manually priced methodology to fee schedule methodology.			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One) GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT X OTHER, AS SPECIFIED COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED Governor's letter dated 26 January 2009 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL 		16. RETURN TO	
13. TYPE OF OFFICIAL Sandeep Wadhwa, MD, MBA		Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing 1570 Grant Street Denver, CO 80203-1818 Attn: Rachel Gibbons	
14. TITLE Director, Medical and CHP+ Program Administration Office			
15. DATE SUBMITTED 3/31/10			
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED 3/31/10		18. DATE APPROVED 5/24/10	
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL 2/15/10		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL 	
21. TYPED NAME Richard C. Allen		22. TITLE Associate Regional Administrator	
23. REMARKS			

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

STATE OF COLORADO

Attachment 4.19-B

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES –
PHYSICIAN SERVICES

Physician services provided by physicians, podiatrists, and optometrists shall be reimbursed at the lower of the following:

1. Submitted charges or
2. Physician services fee schedule as determined by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

Except as otherwise noted in the State Plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers. Reimbursement rates for dates of service on or after February 15, 2010, for these services can be found on the official Web site of the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing at www.colorado.gov/hcpf.

TN No. 10-001
Supersedes TN No. 09-024

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