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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: CO-13-023

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Region VIII

September 4, 2013

Susan E. Birch, MBA, BSN, RN-Executive Director
Department of Health Care Policy & Financing
1570 Grant Street
Denver, CO 80303-1818
RE: Colorado #13-023

Dear Ms. Birch:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 13-023. This amendment changes the reimbursement for Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy And Audiology, reflecting rate increases.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment was approved September 3, 2013 with an effective date of July 1, 2013. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).



If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Curtis Volesky at (303) 844-7033.

Sincerely,

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Richard C. Allen
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Associate Regional Administrator
Divisions of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

CC Suzanne Brennan
Pat Connally
Barb Prehmus
John Bartholomew
Sharon Parga

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 13-023	2. STATE: COLORADO
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One): NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS A NEW PLAN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE July 1, 2013	
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 42 CFR 440.110		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY 2012-13: \$19,949 b. FFY 2013-14: \$79,797	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment 4.19-B: Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Other Types of Care – 11. Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, and Audiology Services		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable) Attachment 4.19-B: Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Other Types of Care – 11. Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, and Audiology Services (TN 11-047)	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT Methods and standards for establishing payment rates for physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and audiology services, reflecting the rate increases effective July 1, 2013.			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One) GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED Governor's letter dated 1 September 2011 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 		16. RETURN TO Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing 1570 Grant Street Denver, CO 80203-1818 Attn: Barbara Prehmus	
13. TYPED NAME Suzanne Brennan		17. DATE RECEIVED 6/24/2013	
14. TITLE Medicaid Director		18. DATE APPROVED 9/4/2013	
15. DATE SUBMITTED 6/13/13		FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY	
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL July 1, 2013		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL 	
21. TYPED NAME Richard C Allen		22. TITLE ARA	
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 –
OTHER TYPES OF CARE

11. PHYSICAL THERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, SPEECH THERAPY AND
AUDIOLOGY SERVICES

Services provided by licensed physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, licensed occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants, certified speech therapists/pathologists, licensed audiologists and speech-language clinical fellows shall be reimbursed at the lower of the following:

1. Submitted charges or
2. 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. The reimbursement rates were set as of July 1, 2013 and are effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates can be found on the official Web site of the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing at www.colorado.gov/hcpf.