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Region VIII

August 12, 2014

Susan E. Birch, MBA, BSN, RN, Executive Director
Department of Health Care Policy & Financing
1570 Grant Street
Denver, CO 80203-1818

RE: Colorado #14-016

Dear Ms. Birch:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 14-016. This amendment applies methods and standards for establishing payment rates for private duty nursing services, reflecting rate increases as of July 1, 2014.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment was approved today with an effective date of July 1, 2014. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

In order to track expenditures associated with this amendment, Colorado should follow the CMS-64 reporting instructions outlined in Section 2500 of the State Medicaid Manual (SMM).

For those individuals whose expenditures qualify for the newly eligible federal medical assistance percentage report on the Form CMS-64.9 VIII and those not enrolled in the new adult group, claims should be reported on the Form CMS-64.9 Base.

This amendment would affect expenditures reported on Line 41-Private Duty Nursing.


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

Sincerely,

/s/

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

cc: Suzanne Brennan
Pat Connally
Barb Prehmus
John Bartholomew
Max Salazar

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 14-016	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 July 1, 2014	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (<i>Check One</i>): NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS A NEW PLAN X AMENDMENT			
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (<i>Separate transmittal for each amendment</i>)			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 42 CFR 440.80		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY 2014-15: \$153,445 b. FFY 2015-16: \$633,443	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment 4.19-B: Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Other Types of Care – 8. Private Duty Nursing Services		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (<i>If Applicable</i>) Attachment 4.19-B: Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates – Other Types of Care – 8. Private Duty Nursing Services (TN 13-016)	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT Methods and standards for establishing payment rates for private duty nursing services, reflecting the rate increases effective July 1, 2014.			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (<i>Check One</i>) GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT X 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			
14. TITLE Medicaid Director			
15. DATE SUBMITTED June 19, 2014			
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED June 19, 2014		18. DATE APPROVED August 12, 2014	
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL July 1, 2014		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL /s/	
21. TYPED NAME Richard C. Allen		22. TITLE ARA, DMCHO	
23. REMARKS			

TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

42 CFR 440.80

State of Colorado

Attachment 4.19-B

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES –
OTHER TYPES OF CARE

8. Payment Rates for Private Duty Nursing Services

Private Duty Nursing services provided to eligible clients by Medicaid certified home health agencies are reimbursed in units of one hour.

There is a maximum statewide rate for R.N. services and a maximum rate for L.P.N. services.

Reduced maximum rates are also established for one nurse providing Private Duty Nursing to more than one client at the same time in the same setting. These rates were originally based on eighty percent of the rates for one to one Private Duty Nursing, and are increased whenever the Colorado General Assembly authorizes and appropriates rate increases.

Private duty nursing services provided by R.N. and L.P.N. providers are reimbursed at the lower of the following:

1. Submitted charges; or
2. Private duty nursing fee schedule 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, 2014 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.

TN#14-016

APPROVAL DATE 8/12/14

Supersedes TN# 13-016

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2014