

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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Boston, Massachusetts 02203



Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations / Boston Regional Office

June 16, 2011

Roderick L. Bremby, Commissioner
Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Mr. Bremby:

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved Connecticut State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 11-004, submitted to my office on March 30, 2011. This SPA transmitted a proposed revision to Connecticut's approved Title XIX State Plan in order to modify the physician's fee schedule to reflect a proposed increase in the Medicaid fee for procedure code J7302 (Levonorgestrel-releasing intrauterine contraceptive system, 52mg). This SPA has been approved effective March 1, 2011, as requested by the State.

Changes are reflected in the following sections of your approved State Plan:

- Attachment 4.19B, page 1(a)i(E)
- Attachment 4.19B, page 1(a)iii
- Attachment 4.19B, page 2(b)

If you have any questions regarding this matter you may contact Marie Montemagno at (617) 565-1227 or by e-mail at Marie.Montemagno@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal
Associate Regional Administrator

cc: Mark Schaefer, Director, Medical Care Administration

Enclosures

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 11-004	2. STATE: CT
	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CMS/CMSO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE 03-01-2011	
5. TYPE OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL (Check One): <input type="checkbox"/> NEW STATE PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT		

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

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: Section 1905 (a)(5)(A) of the Social Security Act 42 CFR 440.50	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY 2011 - \$468,000 - cost b. FFY 2012 - \$841,000 - cost
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19 B Page 1(a)i(E) Attachment 4.19 B Page 1(a)iii Attachment 4.19 B Page 2(b)	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (if applicable) Attachment 4.19 B Page 1(a)i(E) Attachment 4.19 B page 1(a)iii Attachment 4.19 B Page 2(b)
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: The Department of Social Services is proposing to revise its Medicaid State Plan effective March 1, 2011. The Department intends to modify Attachment 4.19-B of the Connecticut Medicaid State Plan in order to amend its physician fee schedule. This amendment will reflect a proposed increase in the Medicaid fee for procedure code J7302 (Levonorgestrel-releasing intrauterine contraceptive system, 52mg). This amendment is expected to result in estimated federal costs of \$468,000 in FFY11 and \$841,000 in FFY12.	

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):
 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL.

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:	16. RETURN TO:
13. TYPED NAME: <i>Rodrick L. Giguere</i>	State of Connecticut Department of Social Services - 11 th floor 25 Sigourney Street Hartford, CT 06106-5033 Attention: Ginny Mahoney
14. TITLE: Commissioner	
15. DATE SUBMITTED: March 30, 2011	

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17. DATE RECEIVED: March 30, 2011	18. DATE APPROVED: June 16, 2011
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PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: March 1, 2011	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:
21. TYPED NAME: Richard R. McGreal	22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations
23. REMARKS:	

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State Connecticut

- (5) Physician's services - fixed fee schedule not to exceed the Medicare physician fee schedule. Fees may be deleted or added and priced in order to remain compliant with HIPAA or to correct pricing errors. The current fee schedule was set as of March 1, 2011 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule for physicians can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page go to "Provider Services" then to "Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.
- (6) Medical care or any other type of remedial care recognized under State law, furnished by licensed practitioners within the scope of their practice as defined by State law. Fixed fee methodologies are summarized below. Fees may be deleted or added and priced in order to remain compliant with HIPAA or to correct pricing errors.
- (a) Podiatrists – 90% of physician fees as noted in (5) above. The current fee schedule was set as of January 1, 2008 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page go to "Provider Services" then to "Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.

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- (ii) Naturopaths – 90% of physician fees as noted in (5) above. The current fee schedule was set as of January 1, 2008 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule for naturopaths can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page go to "Provider Services" then to "Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.

- (iii) Nurse practitioners – 90% of physician fees as noted in (5) above. The current fee schedule was set as of March 1, 2011 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. The fee schedule for physicians can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page go to "Provider Services" then to "Fee Schedule Download." All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.

- (iv) Dental Hygienists - 90% of the department's fees for dentists. The fee schedule for dentists can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page go to "Provider Services" then to "Fee Schedule Download." The agency's rates were set as of April 1, 2008 and are effective for services on or after that date. Rates are the same for private and governmental providers and are published at www.ctdssmap.com.

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- (17) Nurse-mid wife services - are paid off of the physician fee schedule at 90% of physician fees. The agency's physician fee schedule was set as of March 1, 2011 and is effective for services provided on or after that date, except that fees may be deleted or added and priced in order to remain compliant with HIPAA. The physician fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program website: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page go to "Provider Services" then to "Fee Schedule Download". All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same fee schedule.
- (18) Hospice services – fees will equal Medicare fees for the same services in accordance with §1902(a)(13)(B) of the Social Security Act. The rate setting methodology is in compliance with State Medicaid Manual 4306. Total payments to a hospice are limited by the cap amount specified in 42CFR 418.309. Payment to the hospice for inpatient care is limited in accordance with 42CFR 418.302(f). For clients living in a nursing facility, the per diem nursing facility rate will equal 100% of the rate for that nursing home under the Medicaid program.

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