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Boston Regional Operations Group

May 23, 2019

Roderick Bremby, Commissioner
Department of Social Services
55 Farmington Avenue
Hartford, CT 06105

Dear Commissioner Bremby:

We are pleased to enclose via email a copy of approved Connecticut State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 19-0004, received by my office on March 29, 2019 and approved on May 23, 2019.

This SPA amends Attachment 4.19-B of the Medicaid State Plan to incorporate the 2019 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) to the Independent Radiology and Independent Laboratory fee schedules to remain compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), as well as adding 49 new molecular pathology codes and 2 chemistry codes to the Independent Laboratory fee schedule.

This SPA also removes 3 codes (81211, 81213 and 81214) that previously covered genetic testing for breast and ovarian cancer.

This SPA's approval is effective January 1, 2019, as requested by the State.

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

- Addendum page 11 to Attachment 4.19-B, Pages 1

If you have any questions regarding this matter you may contact Marie DiMartino (978) 330-8063 or by e-mail at Marie.DiMartino@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

/S/

Francis T. McCullough
Director
Division of Medicaid Field Operations East (Boston)

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 19-0004	2. STATE: CT
	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2019	

5. TYPE OF STATE 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: Section 1905(a)(3) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 440.30	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY 2019 \$0 b. FFY 2020 \$0
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Addendum Page 11 to Attachment 4.19-B Page 1	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If applicable) Addendum Page 11 to Attachment 4.19-B Page 1

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: Effective January 1, 2019, SPA 19-0004 amends Attachment 4.19-B of the Medicaid State Plan to incorporate the 2019 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) to the Independent Radiology and Independent Laboratory fee schedules to remain compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), as well as the updates to the Independent Laboratory fee schedule described in more detail in the cover letter to this SPA.

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: <i>[Signature]</i>	16. RETURN TO: State of Connecticut Department of Social Services 55 Farmington Avenue – 9th floor Hartford, CT 06105 Attention: Ginny Mahoney
13. TYPED NAME: Roderick L. Bremby	
14. TITLE: Commissioner	
15. DATE SUBMITTED: March 28, 2019	

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17. DATE RECEIVED: March 29 2019	18. DATE APPROVED: May 23 2019
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED	
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: January 1 2019	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: <i>[Signature]</i>
21. TYPED NAME: Francis T. McCullough	22. TITLE: Director Division of Medicaid Field Operations-East
23. REMARKS:	

**STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State Connecticut**

- (3) Other Laboratory and X-ray Services –The fee schedules and any adjustments to the fee schedules are published in www.ctdssmap.com. Fees are effective as of the date noted below, except that fees may be deleted or added and priced in order to remain compliant with HIPAA or to correct pricing errors. Laboratory and X-ray service fees are the same for both governmental and private providers.
- Laboratory Services were set as of January 1, 2019. The Department reviews Medicare rate changes annually to ensure compliance with federal requirements.
 - X-ray services provided by independent radiology centers were set as of January 1, 2019. Select the “Independent Radiology” fee schedule, which displays global fees, including both the technical and professional components of each fee.