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July 27, 2016

Justin M. Senior
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Agency for Health Care Administration
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Tallahassee, FL 32308

ATTN: April Cook

RE: Title XIX State Plan Amendment 16-0002

Dear Mr. Senior:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Florida State Plan, submitted under transmittal number FL 16-0002. This amendment reflects changes to the Florida Medicaid private duty nursing reimbursement methodology as directed by the companion letter dated December 22, 2015 (Florida State Plan Amendment 15-0012). This amendment also serves to reflect changes to the Florida Medicaid Private Duty Nursing State Plan pages by allowing up to twenty four hours per recipient, per day, of private duty nursing services for recipients under the age of 21 years, when medically necessary.

Based on the information provided, this amendment was approved on July 27, 2016. The effective date is July 1, 2016. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA 179 and plan pages. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl L. Brimage at 404-562-7116 or cheryl.brimage@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

//s//

Jackie Glaze
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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

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Who Can Receive

Private duty nursing services are available to recipients under the age of 21 years who require medically necessary private duty nursing services.

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- Home health agencies licensed in accordance with section 408.810, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Rule Chapter 59A-8, Florida Administrative Code.
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Private Duty Nursing

Payments for private duty nursing rates are based on a state developed fee schedule, which is the same for both governmental and private providers. The agency's Private Duty Nursing rates were set as of 7/1/2016, effective for services on or after this date. The fee schedules are published at: <http://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/review/Promulgated.shtml>