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## **Financial Management Group**

December 10, 2018

Jerry R. Foxhoven, Director Iowa Department of Human Services 1305 East Walnut, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Des Moines, IA 50319-0114

RE: Iowa Medicaid State Plan Amendment TN: 18-0021

Dear Mr. Foxhoven:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 18-0021. This amendment revises the current inpatient hospital 30-day re-admission policy to exclude re-admissions that are planned for repetitive or staged treatments. This amendment also clarifies that the re-admission policy does not apply to Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs).

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. This is to inform you that Medicaid State plan amendment 18-021 is approved effective December 1, 2018. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page.

If you have any questions, please call Tim Weidler at (816) 426-6429.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosures** 

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## Methods and Standards for Establishing Payment Rates for Inpatient Hospital Care

## Readmission Policy

When a patient is discharged/transferred from an acute care hospital, and is readmitted to the same acute care hospital within thirty (30) days for symptoms related to, or for evaluation and management of, the prior stay's medical condition, the original claim generated by the original stay will be adjusted by combining the original and subsequent stay onto a single claim.

The readmission policy does not apply to the following:

- Readmissions that are planned readmissions for repetitive or periodic treatments
- Critical access hospitals

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