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State/Territory Name: Maryland

State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 16-0002

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
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Region III/Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

SWIFT # 033020164102

April 15, 2016

Shannon McMahon, Deputy Secretary
Health Care Financing
Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
201 West Preston Street, Room 525
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Ms. McMahon:

Enclosed is a copy of the approved State Plan Amendment (SPA), Transmittal Number 16-0002. This SPA removes the limitation on gender reassignment surgery in order for the State Plan to align with Maryland Medicaid's regulations.

The effective date for this amendment is January 1, 2016. The CMS 179 form and the Approved State Plan pages are attached.

If you have questions about this SPA, please contact Lieutenant Commander Andrea Cunningham of my staff at 215-861-4325.

Sincerely,

/S/

Francis McCullough
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
16-0002

2. STATE
Maryland

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
January 1, 2016

5. TYPE OF 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:
N/A

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2015: \$ 45,000
b. FFY 2016: \$ 15,000

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR
ATTACHMENT:
Att. 3.1A Page 17-A (AMEND)

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):
Att. 3.1A Page 17-A

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: To remove the limitation on gender reassignment surgery in order to align with Maryland Medicaid's regulations.

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:
Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director
Office of Health Services

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:
/S/

16. RETURN TO:
Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director
OHS – DHMH
201 W. Preston St., 1st floor
Baltimore, MD 21201

13. TYPED NAME: Shannon McMahon

14. TITLE: Deputy Secretary,
Office of Health Care Financing

15. DATE SUBMITTED: 3/30/2016

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17. DATE RECEIVED: 3/30/16

18. DATE APPROVED:
April 15, 2016

PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:
January 1, 2016

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:
/S/

21. TYPED NAME:
Francis T. McCullough

22. TITLE:
Associate Regional Administrator, DMCHO

23. REMARKS:

STATE PLAN FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE OF MARYLAND

PROGRAM	LIMITATIONS
<p>5. Physicians' services whether furnished in the office, the patient's home, a hospital, a skilled nursing facility or elsewhere.</p>	<p>9) Immunizations required for travel outside the continental United States.</p> <p>10) Service which are provided outside of the United States;</p> <p>11) Acupuncture;</p> <p>12) Radial keratomy;</p> <p>13) Sterilization reversals.</p> <p>14) Injections, and visits solely for the administration of injections, unless medical necessity and the patient's inability to take appropriate oral medications are documented in the patient's medical records;</p> <p>15) Visits solely to accomplish one of more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Prescription, drug or food supplement pick-up, collection of specimens for laboratory procedures; b. Recording of an electrocardiogram; c. Ascertaining the patient's weight;