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January 25, 2018

Kathy Stiffler, Acting State Medicaid Director  
Medical Services Administration  
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services  
400 South Pine Street, P.O. Box 30479  
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7979

ATTN: Erin Black

Dear Ms. Stiffler:

Enclosed for your records is an approved copy of the following State Plan Amendment:

- Transmittal #: 17-0015: Primary Care Services Rates
- Effective Date: January 1, 2018
- Approval Date: January 25, 2018

If you have any questions, please contact Keri Toback at (312) 353-1754 or [keri.toback@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:keri.toback@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/

Ruth A. Hughes  
Associate Regional Administrator  
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

cc: Erin Black, MDHHS

<b>TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL</b> <b>FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION</b>	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 17 - 0015	2. STATE: Michigan
	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID) TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR HEALTH FINANCING ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES	4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE January 1, 2018	

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: 42 CFR 447	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY 2018 \$313,400 b. FFY 2019 \$417,800
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19-B, Page 1.b.5	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): Attachment 4.19-B, Page 1.b.5

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:  
This SPA will update language to include the general practitioner as a physician eligible to qualify as a primary care provider for the purpose of increased payment. per State appropriation boilerplate.

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT       OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:  
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED      Kathleen Stiffler, Acting Director  
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL      Medical Services Administration

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL: 	16. RETURN TO: Medical Services Administration Actuarial Division - Federal Liaison Capitol Commons Center - 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor 400 South Pine Lansing, Michigan 48933  Attn: Erin Black
13. TYPED NAME: Kathleen Stiffler	
14. TITLE: Acting Director, Medical Services Administration	
15. DATE SUBMITTED: December 21, 2017	

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17. DATE RECEIVED: December 21, 2017	18. DATE APPROVED: January 25, 2018

PLAN APPROVED -- ONE COPY ATTACHED	
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: January 1, 2018	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: /s/
21. TYPE NAME: Ruth A. Hughes	22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator

23. REMARKS:

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

State of MICHIGAN

***Policy and Methods for Establishing Payment Rates  
Other than Inpatient Hospital and Long-Term-Care Facilities***

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**Primary Care Services Incentive Payment**

Primary Care Physician Services

Physicians with primary specialty designations of family medicine, general internal medicine, and pediatric medicine, *OR GENERAL PRACTICE* may qualify as primary care providers for purposes of increased payment.

Eligible providers will be identified as if the methodology described in 42 CFR 447.400(a)(1) and (2) remains in effect. However, if otherwise eligible physicians have subspecialty practice designations, only those providers with subspecialty designations of adolescent medicine and geriatric medicine will be eligible for the rate increase.

Non-physician Practitioners, specifically Nurse Practitioners (NPs) and Physician Assistants (PAs), who provide primary care services under the personal supervision of an eligible primary care physician, will be eligible for the enhanced rate.

Method of Payment

For primary care providers identified as eligible for the primary care rate adjustment, payment will be made on the qualified procedure codes as published in a separate Medicaid Practitioner Fee Schedule. The Primary Care Fee Schedule will reflect rates that have been adjusted in compliance with expenditure levels established by state law.

Unless otherwise noted IN THE STATE PLAN, Michigan's Medicaid payment rates are uniform for private and governmental providers.

Primary Care Services Affected by this Payment Methodology

Primary care physician services subject to the enhanced primary care rate are defined as Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes:

- 99201 through 99215 for new and established patient office or outpatient evaluation and management (E/M) visits
- 99304 through 99318 for initial, subsequent, discharge and other nursing facility E/M services
- 99324 through 99337 for new and established patient domiciliary, rest home or custodial care E/M Services
- 99341 through 99350 for new and established patient home E/M visits
- 99381 through 99397 for new and established patient preventive medicine services

Effective Date of Payment

This reimbursement methodology applies to services rendered by physicians with the primary specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine and pediatric medicine on and after January 1, 2015 and for services provided by physicians with the primary specialty designation of general practice on and after January 1, 2018. The Michigan Medicaid fee schedule for the qualified procedure codes is published at [www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders](http://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders).

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