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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

June 14, 2016

Dr. David J. Dzielak, Executive Director
Mississippi Division of Medicaid
Attn: Margaret Wilson
550 High Street, Suite 1000
Jackson, Mississippi 39201-1399

RE: Title XIX State Plan Amendment, MS 16-0009

Dear Dr. Dzielak:

We have reviewed the proposed Mississippi State Plan Amendment 16-0009, which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on March 31, 2016. The SPA was submitted to allow the current market value of real property to be established using the county tax assessed true value.

Based on the information provided, the Medicaid State Plan Amendment MS 16-0009 was approved on June 14, 2016. The effective date of this amendment is January 1, 2016. We are enclosing the approved HCFA-179 and the plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Tandra Hodges at (404) 562-7409 or email Tandra.Hodges@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

//s//

Jackie Glaze
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 16-0009	2. STATE MS
	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE 01/01/2016
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		

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 U.S.C. § 1396a(r)(2).	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: FY 2016: \$0.00 FY 2017: \$0.00
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 2.6-A, Supplement 8b, Page 4	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (<i>If Applicable</i>): Attachment 2.6-A, Supplement 8b, Page 4

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

State Plan Amendment (SPA) 16-0009 Current Market Value (CMV) is being submitted to allow CMV of real property to be established using the county tax assessed true value as shown on the county tax receipt rather than an initial evaluation using a knowledgeable source statement, per SSI policy. If an applicant or recipient disagrees with the tax assessed value of any countable real property, a knowledgeable source statement will be used to establish CMV.

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>/s/</i>	16. RETURN TO: David J. Dzielak Miss. Division of Medicaid Attn: Margaret Wilson 550 High Street, Suite 1000 Jackson, MS 39201-1399
13. TYPED NAME: David J. Dzielak	
14. TITLE: Executive Director	
15. DATE SUBMITTED: 03/31/2016	

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17. DATE RECEIVED: 03/31/16	18. DATE APPROVED: 06/14/16
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED	
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: 01/01/16	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: <i>//s//</i>
21. TYPED NAME: Jackie Glaze	22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children Health Opns

23. REMARKS:

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: Mississippi

MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING RESOURCES
UNDER SECTION 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT

Section 1902(f) State

Non-Section 1902(f)

State

METHODOLOGIES FOR TREATMENT OF RESOURCES
THAT DIFFER FROM THOSE OF THE SSI PROGRAM

- Exclude non-excludable personal property up to \$5,000 rather than excluding up to \$2,000 per SSI policy.
 - Allow Current Market Value (CMV) of real property to be established using the county tax assessed true value as shown on the county tax receipt rather than an initial evaluation using a knowledgeable source statement, per SSI policy. If an applicant or recipient disagrees with the tax assessed value of any countable real property, a knowledgeable source statement will be used to establish CMV.
2. The following liberalized resource policy applies to the following long term care coverage groups:
- Institutional individuals who would be eligible for SSI if not in an institution.
1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.211
 - Institutionalized individuals eligible under the 300% cap.
1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(V) of the Act and 42 CFR 435.236

The more liberal resource policy includes the exclusion of funds earmarked for payment of prior month(s) nursing facility expenses that would allow Medicaid eligibility in the current or retroactive month(s). (Previously approved 04/19/93 in TN No. 92-03 effective 01/01/92.)

3. The following liberalized policy applies to:

- Working Disabled (WD) under 250% of poverty.
1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act

The more liberal resource policy includes the disregard of an additional \$20,000 in total resources for individuals/couples who work and qualify for Medicaid under the Working Disabled category