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NEW YORK REGIONAL OPERATIONS GROUP

ROG: SA: SPA NY 19-0049

December 19, 2019

Donna Frescatore
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Albany, NY 12210.

Dear Ms. Frescatore:

This is to notify you that New York State Plan Amendment (SPA) #19-0049 has been approved for adoption into the State Medicaid Plan with an effective date of July 1, 2019. This SPA revises and updates the Ambulatory Patient Group reimbursement methodology for hospital-based clinic and ambulatory surgery services, including emergency room services.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Stephen Abbott of this office. I may be reached at (212) 264-2424, and Mr. Abbott at (518) 396-3810, ext. 113.

Sincerely,


Ricardo Holligan
Acting Deputy Director
Regional Operations Group

cc: R. Holligan
R. Weaver
S. Abbott
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TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER <u>1 9 — 0 0 4 9</u>	2. STATE New York
	3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID) 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 July 1, 2019	

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (*Check One*)

NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN AMENDMENT

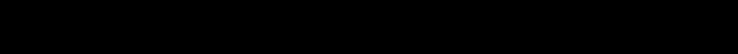
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (*Separate transmittal for each amendment*)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION §1902(a) of the Social Security Act, and 42 CFR 447	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY <u>07/1/19-9/30/19</u> \$ <u>240.75</u> b. FFY <u>10/1/19-9/30/20</u> \$ <u>963.00</u>
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT Attachment: 4.19-B Pages: 1(e)(2), 1(e)(2.1), 1(i)	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (<i>If Applicable</i>) Attachment: 4.19-B Pages: 1(e)(2), 1(e)(2.1), 1(i)

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
JULY 2019 APG UPDATES - HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT (FMAP=50%)

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (*Check One*)

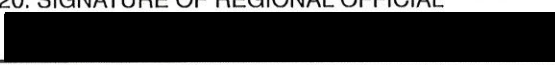
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 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 	16. RETURN TO New York State Department of Health Division of Finance and Rate Setting 99 Washington Ave – One Commerce Plaza Suite 1432 Albany, NY 12210
13. TYPED NAME Donna Frescatore	
14. TITLE Medicaid Director, Department of Health	
15. DATE SUBMITTED September 30, 2019	

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17. DATE RECEIVED	18. DATE APPROVED 12/19/2019
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PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL 07/01/2019	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL 
21. TYPED NAME RICARDO HOLLIGAN	22. TITLE Acting Deputy Director Regional Operations Group

23. REMARKS

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Carve-outs; updated as of 10/01/12:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Carve Outs."

Coding Improvement Factors (CIF); updated as of 07/01/12:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "CIFs by Rate Period."

If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay APGs; updated as of 01/01/15:

http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay APGs."

If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay Procedures; updated as of 01/01/19:

http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay Procedures."

Modifiers; updated as of 07/01/18:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Modifiers."

Never Pay APGs; updated as of 01/01/19:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Never Pay APGs."

Never Pay Procedures; updated as of [07/01/18] 07/01/19:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Never Pay Procedures."

No-Blend APGs; updated as of 04/01/10:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "No Blend APGs."

No-Blend Procedures; updated as of 01/01/11:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "No Blend Procedures."

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Supersedes TN #19-0011

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Reimbursement Methodology – Hospital Outpatient

- I. The criteria for using a procedure-based weight or the relative weight in the methodology is as follows: If a procedure-based weight is available for a particular procedure code, then the procedure-based weight is used. If a procedure-based weight is not available for a particular procedure code, then the relative weight (i.e., "APG weight") is used.
- II. The initial calculation of the APG relative weights were developed using line level charges from 2005 New York Medicaid claims converted to cost using the ratio of cost to charges methodology. The line level costs were brought up to the APG level to determine the average cost of each APG.
- a. The APG relative weights will be updated no less frequently than every [seven] eight years. These APG and weights are set as of December 1, 2008, and are effective for specified services on and after that date. A link to the list of APGs and their relative weights is available in the APG Reimbursement Methodology – Reimbursement Components section.
 - b. The APG relative weights will be reweighted prospectively. The initial reweighting will be based on Medicaid claims data from the December 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 period. Subsequent reweighting's will be based on Medicaid claims data from the most recent twelve-month period and will be based on complete and accurate line level procedure and charge data and ratio of cost to charge data.
 - c. The Department will correct material errors of any given APG relative weight. Such corrections will make use of benchmarking data consisting of payment information from other payers (including Medicare) reimbursing comparable services. Corrections to material errors in individual APG relative weights will be made on a prospective basis.
- III. Case mix index is an expression of the average paid APG weight for a given peer group after consolidation, packaging, and discounting. Case mix indices will be calculated by running applicable claims data through the latest version of the APG software to determine the average final APG weight of the visits. Outlier claims or claim lines may be excluded from this calculation to assure overall accuracy of the final case mix. The initial calculation of case mix indices for periods prior to January 1, 2010, will be based on Medicaid data from the December 1, 2008, through April 30, 2009 period. The January 1, 2010, calculation of case-mix indices will be based on Medicaid data for the period December 1, 2008, through September 30, 2009. Subsequent calculations will be based on Medicaid claims data from the most recent twelve-month period.

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