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March 3, 2017

Barbara Sears, Director Ohio Department of Medicaid P.O. Box 182709 50 West Town Street, Suite 400 Columbus, Ohio 43218

RE: TN 16-032

Dear Ms. Sears:

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

Transmittal #16-032
Coverage & limitations, and payment: Physician Assistants' services
Effective Date: January 1, 2017

If you have any questions regarding this SPA, please have a member of your staff contact Christine Davidson at (312) 886-3642 or by email at <u>christine.davidson@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosure

cc: Sarah Curtin, ODM Carolyn Humphrey, ODM Becky Jackson, ODM Greg Niehoff, ODM

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 16-032 Revised	2. STATE OHIO
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES	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 01, 2017	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):		
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Attachment 3.1-A, Item 6-d-5, page 1 of 1 Attachment 4.19-B, Item 6-d-(5), page 1	Attachment 3.1-A, Item 6-d-5, page 1 of 1 (TN 12-010) Attachment 4.19-B, Item 6-d-(5), page 1 (TN 15-006)	
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	I OTHER, AS SPI The State Medicaid Dir	CIFIED: ector is the Governor's designee
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13. TYPED NAME: BARBARA R. SEARS	Carolyn Humphrey Ohio Department of Medicaid P.O. BOX 182709 Columbus, Ohio 43218	
14. TITLE: STATE MEDICAID DIRECTOR		
15. DATE SUBMITTED: December 5, 2016		
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17. DATE RECEIVED: December 5, 2016	18. DATE APPROVED: March 3, 2017	
PLAN APPROVED – ON 19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: January 1, 2017	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: /s/	
21. TYPED NAME: Ruth A. Hughes	22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator	
23. REMARKS:		

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- 6. Medical care and any other type of remedial care recognized under state law, furnished by licensed practitioners within the scope of their practice as defined by State law. (Continued)
  - d. Other practitioners' services
    - (5) Physician assistants' services

Payment for physician assistants' services is the lesser of the billed charge or 85% of the Medicaid maximum for the service specified in the agency's Medicine, Surgery, Radiology and Imaging, and Additional Procedures (MSRIAP) fee schedule published on the agency's website at http://medicaid.ohio.gov/Providers/FeeScheduleandRates.aspx. The MSRIAP fee schedule was set as of January 1, 2017 and is effective for services provided on or after that date.

For a covered procedure, service, or supply represented by a new HCPCS procedure code that takes effect at the beginning of a calendar year, the initial Medicaid maximum payment amount is set at 80% of the Medicare allowed amount.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedules and rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

The following payment scenarios apply:

When a physician assistant acts as an assistant-at-surgery for a covered primary surgical procedure, the maximum payment amount for the physician assistant is the lesser of billed charges or 25% of the Medicaid maximum specified in the MSRIAP fee schedule.

The maximum reimbursement for physician groups that contract with a hospital to provide physician hospital clinic services in the physician group practice setting and who provide 40% of the Medicaid physician visits in the county of location and 10% of the visits in contiguous counties, is the lesser of billed charges or 85% of the Medicaid maximum for a particular service according to the agency's fee schedule, plus 40% of that fee.

By-report services require manual review by the appropriate single state agency staff. The reimbursement rate for these services is determined using one of a variety of different payment methodologies. Examples of the possible methodologies are pricing using a similar service, product, or procedure that has an established reimbursement rate, or a percentage of charges. The specific methodology utilized depends on the service, product, or procedure performed. Physician assistants are reimbursed the lesser of billed charges or 85% of the established price established through this manual review pricing process.

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- 6. Medical care and any other types of remedial care recognized under state law, furnished by licensed practitioners within the scope of their practice as defined by State law. (Continued)
  - d. Other practitioners' services
    - 5. Physician Assistants' services

Physician assistants must be licensed under Ohio law and provide services under the supervision, control, and direction of one or more physicians.

The scope of physician assistants' services is defined by Ohio law. Physician assistants' services must be authorized by Ohio law (or otherwise approved by the state medical board) and within the scope of practice of the physician assistant's supervising physician.

Approval Date: 3/3/17