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State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 14-29

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
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**DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH - REGION VI**

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December 16, 2014

Dr. Garth Splinter  
State Medicaid Director  
4345 N. Lincoln  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Our Reference: SPA OK 14-029

Dear Dr. Splinter:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Oklahoma State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number OK 14-029, dated September 30, 2014. This state plan amendment requests a rate freeze for Licensed Behavioral Health Professionals (LBHP) and independent psychologists.

Based on the information submitted, we have approved the amendment OK 14-029 for incorporation into the official Oklahoma State Plan with an effective date change of August 13, 2014. A copy of the CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed with this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Ward at (214) 767-6327.

Sincerely,



Bill Brooks  
Associate Regional Administrator

cc: Tywanda Cox  
Joel Nico Gomez

<b>TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE &amp; MEDICAID SERVICES</b>	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER <b>1 4 - 2 9</b>	2. STATE <b>Oklahoma</b>
	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 <b>August 13, 2014</b>
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5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One)

NEW STATE PLAN       AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS A NEW PLAN       AMENDMENT

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

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION <b>42 CFR 440.60</b>	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT a. FFY <u>2014</u> \$ <u>0</u> b. FFY <u>2015</u> \$ <u>0</u>
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8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT  <b>Attachment 4.19-B, Page 8</b>	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)  <b>Same Page, Revised 07-01-10, TN # 10-13</b>
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10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

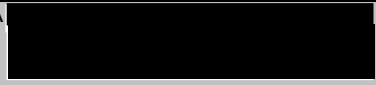
**Rate freeze for LBHPs and independent psychologists**

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT       OTHER, AS SPECIFIED  
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED      The Governor does not review State Plan material.  
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL 	16. RETURN TO  <b>Oklahoma Health Care Authority Attn: Cindy Roberts 4345 N. Lincoln Oklahoma City, OK 73105</b>
13. TYPED NAME <b>Joel Nico Gomez</b>	
14. TITLE <b>Chief Executive Officer</b>	
15. DATE SUBMITTED <b>September 30, 2014</b>	

FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY	
17. DATE RECEIVED <b>30 September, 2014</b>	18. DATE APPROVED <b>16 December, 2014</b>

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED	
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL <b>13 August, 2014</b>	20. SIGNATURE 
21. TYPED NAME <b>Bill Brooks</b>	22. TITLE <b>Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid &amp; Children's Health</b>

23. REMARKS

c: Joel Nico Gomez  
Cindy Roberts  
Tywanda Cox

**METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES  
OTHER TYPES OF CARE**

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**7. Payment of Psychological Services**

Payment is made to Licensed Behavioral Health Practitioners (LBHPs) and Psychological Clinicians on behalf of eligible individuals under 21 years of age through EPSDT.

**(a) Level 1 - LBHPs (Psychologists) and Psychological Clinicians**

Individuals in Independent Practice - Payment is made at 96.75 percent of the CY2013 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for psychiatry services.

Individuals in Agency Settings Refer to Attachment 4.19 B page 24 for payment of services provided by psychologists employed by public health, government or private behavioral health agency or local school settings.

**(b) Level 2 - LBHPs and Psychological Clinicians**

Individuals in Independent Practice - Payment is made at 72.56 percent of the CY2013 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for psychiatry services.

Individuals in Agency Settings - Refer to Attachment 4.19 B, page 24 for services provided by individuals employed by public health, government or private behavioral health agency or local school settings.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, the rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of behavioral health practitioner services and the fee schedule and any annual/periodic adjustments to the fee schedule are published on the agency website at [www.okhca.org](http://www.okhca.org). The agency's fee schedule rates are set as of August 13, 2014 and in effect for services provided on or after that date.

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