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Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services  
Attn: Mary Eve Kulawik  
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Helena, MT 59604

**RE: Montana State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 21-0019**

Dear Director Matthews:

We have reviewed the proposed Montana State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B of your state plan, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on August 03, 2021. This plan amendment updates the bundled composite rate for services provided in an outpatient maintenance dialysis clinic. The Dialysis Clinic reimbursement rate will be increased by 1%.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July 1, 2021. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact LaJoshica (Josh) Smith via 214-767-6453 or [lajoshica.smith@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:lajoshica.smith@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

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Director  
Division of Reimbursement Review



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The following are used for establishing reimbursement rates for Clinic Services:

- I. Reimbursement methodology for ambulatory surgical centers (ASC's) is based on the method of establishing ASC rates for Medicare as published quarterly by CMS. Reimbursement is set at the current Medicare rates in effect as of the date of service. Effective July 1, 2018, rates are the current Medicare rates and are in effect for dates of services on or after July 1, 2018. The fee schedule is updated effective the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the quarter based on the Medicare quarterly adjustment.
- II. The methodologies for establishing the rates for diagnostic and evaluation services and public health services are the same as the methods used for physicians' services, psychologist' services, clinical social workers' services, physical therapy services, occupational therapy services, nurse specialist' services, speech therapy services, and audiology services.
- III. Reimbursement for freestanding dialysis clinics is based on the Department's fee schedule published on the agency's website at <http://medicaidprovider.mt.gov>. Unless otherwise noted in the plan, reimbursement rates are the same for both governmental and private providers. The Department's fee schedule rates were set as of July 1, 2021 and are effective for services provided on or after July 1, 2021.