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November 9, 2015

Dorothy Frost Teeter, Director
MaryAnne Lindeblad, Medicaid Director
Health Care Authority
Post Office Box 45502
Olympia, Washington 98504-5010

RE: Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 15-0034

Dear Ms. Teeter and Ms. Lindeblad:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number WA 15-0034. This SPA updated the effective dates of the fee schedules for several Medicaid services, including: All other practitioners and Targeted Case Management for infants and parents.

This SPA is approved with an effective date of August 6, 2015.

If you have any additional questions or require any further assistance, please contact me, or have your staff contact James Moreth at (360) 943-0469 or James.Moreth@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

David L. Meacham
Associate Regional Administrator

cc:
Ann Myers, SPA Coordinator
**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

**FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

**TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR**
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):
- [ ] NEW STATE PLAN
- [ ] AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN
- [X] AMENDMENT

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:
1902(a) of the Social Security Act

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
- a. FFY 2015 $0
- b. FFY 2016 $0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:
Attachment 4.19-B page 25, 28-28a (P&I)

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):
Attachment 4.19-B page 25, 28-28a (P&I)

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

Fee Schedules Effective Date Update

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

- [X] OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Exempt

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:
[Signature]

13. TYPED NAME:
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MEDICAID DIRECTOR

15. DATE.Submitted:
9-24-15

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17. DATE RECEIVED:
09/24/2015

18. DATE APPROVED:
11/09/15

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:
08/06/15

20. SIGNATURE OF
[Signature]

21. TYPED NAME:
David L. Meacham

22. TITLE:
Associate Regional Administrator

23. REMARKS:
11/04/15: State authorizes P&I to boxes 8 and 9
STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: ____________ WASHINGTON ______________

POLICY AND METHODS USED IN ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES FOR EACH OF THE OTHER TYPES OF CARE OR SERVICE LISTED IN SECTION 1905 (A) OF THE ACT THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM UNDER THE PLAN (cont.)

X. All Other Practitioners

“All other practitioners” refers to other practitioners as described in section 6.d of Attachments 3.1-A and 3.1-B.

The agency pays the lesser of the usual and customary charge, or a fee based on an agency fee schedule.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of services and the fee schedule and any annual/periodic adjustments to the fee schedule(s).

The facility fees used to calculate the payment rates for intensive behavior services (Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services) in facility settings will be calculated using methods that are consistent with Medicaid State Plan attachment 4.19-B sections II and VIII. A Outpatient hospital services. Outpatient hospitals and clinics rendering intensive behavior services as a day program do not receive a facility fee in addition to the per diem rate identified on the state’s ABA Services fee schedule.

The agency’s fee schedule rate was set as of August 6, 2015, and is effective for dates of services provided on or after that date. See 4.19-B, I. General #G for the agency’s website where the fee schedules are published.
XIII. Targeted Case Management Services (cont)

B. Infant Case Management (ICM)

The agency provides infant case management services to Medicaid infants and their parent(s) for the direct benefit of the eligible infant from the time the infant is three months of age through the month of the infant’s first birthday.

For the purpose of this program, the State defines a parent(s) as a person who resides with an infant, provides the day-to-day care, is authorized to make health care decisions, and is:

- The infant’s natural or adoptive parent(s);
- A person other than a foster parent who has been granted legal custody of the infant; or
- A person who is legally obligated to support the infant.

Payment for Title XIX targeted case management services may not duplicate payments made to public agencies or private entities under other programs for this same purpose. If the eligible infant and family are involved in services for another targeted group, ICM is closed and case management for the other targeted group is initiated.

Targeted case management for ICM is billed on a per-visit basis, with each visit based on time increments of 15 minutes equaling one unit. Unit limitations are described in agency billing instructions.

Computation of the per-unit rate takes the following into consideration:

- Relative value of targeted case management services provided by similar professionals in different settings;
- Historical expenditures for ICM services; and
- Other expenses related to provision of targeted case management services (e.g., travel time and associated travel costs, charting/documentation time, etc.)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of these services. The agency’s case management fee was set as of August 6, 2015, and is effective for dates of service on and after that date. See 4.19-B, I, General, #G for the agency’s website where the fee schedules are published.