

---

## **Table of Contents**

**State/Territory Name: Washington**

**State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 17-0035**

This file contains the following documents in the order listed:

- 1) Approval Letter
- 2) CMS 179 Form
- 3) Approved SPA Pages

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
Seattle Regional Office  
701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1600, MS/RX-200  
Seattle, WA 98104



Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

---

October 3, 2017

MaryAnne Lindeblad, Medicaid Director  
Health Care Authority  
PO Box 45502  
Olympia, WA 98504-5010

RE: Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 17-0035

Dear Ms. Lindeblad:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed its review of the enclosed State Plan Amendment (SPA), Transmittal Number 17-0035. This SPA removes pre-authorization for Voluntary Inpatient Psychiatric Service FFS.

This SPA is approved effective July 4, 2017. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS-179 summary form, as well as the approved pages for incorporation into the Washington State Plan.

If there are any questions concerning this approval, please contact me or your staff may contact Rhonda Martinez-McFarland at [rhonda.martinez-mcfarland@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:rhonda.martinez-mcfarland@cms.hhs.gov) or at 206-615-2267.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by David L.



Date: 2017.10.04 12:48:21 -07'00'

David L. Meacham  
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc:  
Jessie Dean, HCA  
Ann Meyers, HCA

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF  
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:  
**17-0035**

2. STATE  
Washington

**FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE  
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  
~~JULY 4, 2018~~ (P&I)  
July 4, 2017

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:  
Section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:  
a. FFY 2017 \$0  
b. FFY 2018 \$0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 3.1-A page 11, ~~11a (new)~~ 11-1 (new) (P&I)  
Attachment 3.1-B page 12, ~~12a (new)~~ 12-2 (new) (P&I)

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION  
OR ATTACHMENT (*If Applicable*)

Attachment 3.1-A page 11  
Attachment 3.1-B page 12

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

Voluntary Inpatient Psychiatric Care

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

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Exempt

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:  
MARYANNE LINDEBLAD

14. TITLE:  
MEDICAID DIRECTOR

15. DATE SUBMITTED:  
9-6-17

16. RETURN TO:

Ann Myers  
Office of Rules and Publications  
Legal and Administrative Services  
Health Care Authority  
626 8<sup>th</sup> Ave SE MS: 42716  
Olympia, WA 98504-2716

**FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY**

17. DATE RECEIVED:  
9/6/17

18. DATE APPROVED:  
10/3/17

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:  
7/4/17

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

21. TYPED NAME:  
David L. Meacham

22. TITLE:  
Associate Regional Administrator

23. REMARKS:

10/2/17 - State authorized P&I change to box 4  
10/5/17 - State authorized P&I change to box 8

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State WASHINGTON

AMOUNT, DURATION, AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL  
CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE CATEGORICALLY NEEDY

---

Description of Service Limitations

- I. Inpatient hospital services
  - a. Chronic pain management is limited to inpatient services provided by an agency-approved pain center in a hospital.
  - b. Long-term acute care services are provided in agency-approved hospitals and require prior authorization. This is not sub-acute care; rather this is intensive acute inpatient care provided to patients who would otherwise remain in intensive care or a similar level of care outside of a hospital's intensive care unit.

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State WASHINGTON

AMOUNT, DURATION, AND SCOPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE  
MEDICALLY NEEDY GROUP(S): ALL

---

Description of Service Limitations

2. a. Outpatient hospital services

- (1) Hospital-owned institutional facilities that are hospital-based may provide outpatient hospital services to eligible clients when authorized by the agency to do so.
- (2) Freestanding hospital-owned institutional facilities that are nonhospital-based may provide outpatient services to eligible clients when authorized by the agency to do so

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State WASHINGTON

AMOUNT, DURATION, AND SCOPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE  
MEDICALLY NEEDY GROUP(S): ALL

---

DESCRIPTION OF LIMITATION OF SERVICES

1. Inpatient hospital services
  - a. Chronic pain management is limited to inpatient services provided by an agency-approved pain center in a hospital.
  - b. Long-term acute care services are provided in agency-approved hospitals and require prior authorization. This is not sub-acute care; rather this is intensive acute inpatient care provided to patients who would otherwise remain in intensive care or a similar level of care outside of a hospital's intensive care unit.

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State WASHINGTON

AMOUNT, DURATION, AND SCOPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE  
MEDICALLY NEEDY GROUP(S): ALL

---

- 2. a. Outpatient hospital services
  - (1) Hospital-owned institutional facilities that are hospital-based may provide outpatient hospital services to eligible clients when authorized by the agency to do so.
  - (2) Freestanding hospital-owned institutional facilities that are nonhospital-based may provide outpatient hospital services to eligible clients when authorized by the agency to do so