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#### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

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#### **Financial Management Group**

May 29, 2024

Tyler Sadwith State Medicaid Director California Department of Health Care Services P.O. Box 997413, MS 0000 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

RE: California State Plan Amendment Transmittal Number 21-0005

Dear State Medicaid Director Sadwith:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed California state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-D CA-21-0005, which was submitted to CMS on December 30, 2021. This plan amendment extends the time-limited supplemental payment program for freestanding pediatric subacute facilities to July 31, 2022.

We reviewed your SPA submission for compliance with statutory requirements, including in sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), and 1903 as it relates to the identification of an adequate source for the non-federal share of expenditures under the plan, as required by 1902(a)(2), of the Social Security Act and the applicable implementing Federal regulations.

Based upon the information provided by the state, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of January 1, 2022. 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 Mark Wong at 415-744-3561 or via email at mark.wong@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,



Rory Howe Director

Enclosures

| DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANDHUMAN SERVICES<br>CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES   | FORM APPROVED<br>OMB No. 0938-0193  |
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| TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF<br>STATE PLAN MATERIAL<br>FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES                    | 1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER   2. STATE  |
| TO: CENTER DIRECTOR<br>CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES<br>DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES                           | 4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  |
| 5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION   | 6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars)       a. FFY\$       b. FFY\$                               |
| 7. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT   | 8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION<br>OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)                                  |
| 9. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT  |   |
| 10. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One)  |   |
| GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT<br>COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED<br>NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL | OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:<br>Please note: The Governor's Office does not wish to review<br>the State Plan Amendment. |
|  | 15. RETURN TO   |
| 12. TYPED NAME   |   |
| 13. TITLE  |   |
| 14. DATE SUBMITTED<br>December 30, 2021  |   |
| FOR CMS U  | SE ONLY   |
| December 30, 2021  | 17. DATE APPROVED<br>May 29, 2024   |
| PLAN APPROVED - ON   |   |
| January 1, 2022  | 19. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL   |
| 20. TYPED NAME OF APPROVING OFFICIAL<br>Rory Howe<br>22. REMARKS   | 21. TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL<br>Director, Financial Management Group   |
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Pen-and-ink change made to Box 6 by CMS with state concurrence.

# Time- Limited Supplemental Payment Program for Freestanding Pediatric Subacute Facilities

This program provides a time-limited supplemental payment for eligible Freestanding Pediatric Subacute (FS/PSAs) facilities for services rendered beginning August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2022. The supplemental payments will be provided in addition to the base per diem rate in effect for FS/PSA facilities, which will remain unchanged through this amendment.

#### Methodology

- The supplemental payment amount is a fixed amount of \$132.92 for each Medi-Cal fee-for-service patient day furnished during each rate year ending July 31, 2019; July 31, 2020; July 31, 2021; and in the 2021-22 rate year for each patient on or before July 31, 2022.
- 2. The supplemental payments will be in addition to and paid concurrently with the FS/PSA per diem rate. The current reimbursement methodology used to develop the FS/PSA per diem rate, as described in page 15.4b of the State Plan Amendment 4.19-D, will remain unchanged. Thus, the total reimbursement amount will be the sum of the facility's per diem rate under the current reimbursement methodology and the supplemental payment amount.
- 3. The per diem rates for FS/PSA are the rates established by the Department of Health Care Services, as published on the Medi-Cal website:

http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/Pages/AB1629/AB1629PediatricSubacute.aspx

- 4. The supplemental payment amounts, as set forth in this Attachment, are inclusive of Federal Financial Participation.
- 5. Providers eligible for the supplemental payments under this section do not include Distinct Part Pediatric Subacute facilities, Freestanding Adult Subacute facilities, or Distinct Part Adult Subacute facilities.
- 6. Notwithstanding paragraph 2, effective August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022, when the FS/PSA facilities receive the supplemental payments described above, the supplemental payments will not be paid in addition to the FS/PSA per diem rate. The reimbursement rates for FS/PSA facilities will account for, and be inclusive of, the supplemental payments. No adjustment will be made to increase the computed reimbursement rate by the supplemental payment amount.