

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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May 7, 2021

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California Department of Health Care Services

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RE: TN 21-0009

Dear Ms. Cooper:

We have reviewed the proposed California State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B, CA-21-0009, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on March, 26th, 2021. This plan amendment updates the rates for Radiological services to pay no more than 80% of the corresponding Medicare Physician Fee Schedule rate.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of January 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 Blake Holt at 303-844-6218 or blake.holt@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box redacting the signature of Todd McMillion.

Todd McMillion

Director

Division of Reimbursement Review

Enclosures

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER

2. STATE

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION:

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

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

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT

a. FFY _____ \$ _____

b. FFY _____ \$ _____

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

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 PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION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

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

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

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

13. TYPED NAME

14. TITLE

15. DATE SUBMITTED

16. RETURN TO

FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED

18. DATE APPROVED

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL

21. TYPED NAME

22. TITLE

23. REMARKS

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
STATE: California

REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGY FOR RADIOLOGY SERVICES

- 1) Except as otherwise noted in the State Plan, state-developed fee schedules are the same for both governmental and private providers of radiological services. Effective January 1, 2021, the department's fee schedule rates for radiology services will be adjusted. All Medi-Cal Fee for Service rates are published at: <https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/rates/rateshome.aspx>
- 2) Effective January 1, 2021, the reimbursement rates for radiology services will continue to be set at no more than 80 percent of the corresponding Medicare 2021 Physician Fee Schedule rates. Any rate at or below 80 percent of the applicable Medicare rate will not be decreased.