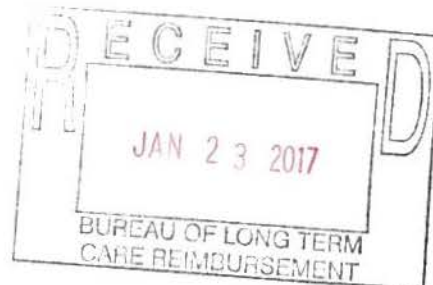

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JAN 20 2017

Jason A. Helgeson
State Medicaid Director
Deputy Commissioner
Office of Health Insurance Programs
NYS Department of Health
Corning Tower (OCP – 1211)
Albany, NY 12237



RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 15-0033

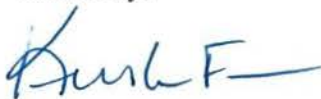
Dear Commissioner Helgeson:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State Plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 15-0033. Effective April 1, 2015 this amendment proposes to continue supplemental payments to private hospitals for inpatient services.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR Part 447. This letter is to inform you SPA 15-0033 is approved effective April 1, 2015. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended approved plan page.

If you have any questions, please contact Charlene Holzbaaur at 609-882-4103 Ext. 104.

Sincerely,



Kristin Fan
Director

Enclosures

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 15-0033	2. STATE New York
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 April 1, 2015	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One): <input type="checkbox"/> NEW STATE PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT			
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: § 1902(a) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 447		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: (in thousands) a. FFY 04/01/15-09/30/15 \$ 66.229 b. FFY 10/01/15-03/31/16 \$ 66.229	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Attachment 4.19-A: Page 161(1)		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): Attachment 4.19-A: Page 161(1)	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: 2015 Voluntary UPL Payments (FMAP = 50%)			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:		16. RETURN TO: New York State Department of Health Division of Finance and Rate Setting 99 Washington Ave - One Commerce Plaza Suite 1432 Albany, NY 12210	
13. TYPED NAME: Jason A. Helgeson			
14. TITLE: Medicaid Director Department of Health			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: JUN 26 2015			
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED:		18. DATE APPROVED: JAN 20 2017	
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: APR 01 2015		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:	
21. TYPED NAME: Kristin FAN		22. TITLE: Director, FMC	
23. REMARKS:			

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Voluntary Supplemental Inpatient Payments

Effective for the period July 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011, additional inpatient hospital payments are authorized to voluntary sector hospitals, excluding government general hospitals, for inpatient hospital services after all other medical assistance payments, of \$235.5M for the period July 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011; \$314M for the period April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012; \$281,778,852 for the period April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; \$298,860,732 for the period April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014; and \$226,443,721 for the period April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015; and \$264,916,150 for the period April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016 subject to the requirements of 42 CFR 447.272 (upper payment limit). Such payments [may be added to rates of payment, made as aggregate payments or] are paid monthly to eligible voluntary sector owned or operated general hospitals, excluding government general hospitals.

Eligibility to receive such additional payments, and the allocation amount paid to each hospital, will be based on data from the period two years prior to the rate year, as reported on the Institutional Cost Report (ICR) submitted to the Department as of October 1 of the prior rate year.

- (a) Thirty percent of such payments will be allocated to safety net hospitals based on each eligible hospital's proportionate share of all eligible safety net hospitals' Medicaid discharges for inpatient hospital services, including both Medicaid fee-for-service and managed care discharges for acute and exempt services;
- (i) Safety net hospitals are defined as non-government owned or operated hospitals which provide emergency room services having either: a Medicaid share of total inpatient hospital discharges of at least 35%, including both fee-for-service and managed care discharges for acute and exempt services; or a Medicaid share of total discharges of at least 30%, including both fee-for-service and managed care discharges for acute and exempt services, and also providing obstetrical services.
- (b) Seventy percent of such payments will be allocated to eligible general hospitals, which provide emergency room services, based on each such hospital's proportionate share of all eligible hospitals' Medicaid discharges for inpatient hospital services, including both Medicaid fee-for-service and managed care discharges for acute and exempt services;
- (c) No payment will be made to a hospital described in (i) and (ii). Payment amounts will be reduced as necessary not to exceed the limitations described in (iii).
- (i) did not receive an Indigent Care Pool (ICP) payment;
- (ii) the hospital's facility specific projected disproportionate share hospital payment ceiling is zero; or,
- (iii) the annual payments amount to eligible hospitals exceeds the Medicaid customary charge limit at 42 CFR 447.271.
- (d) Any amounts calculated under paragraphs (a) and (b) but not paid to a hospital because of the requirements in paragraph (c) will be allocated proportionately to those eligible general hospitals that provide emergency room services and which would not be precluded by paragraph (c) from receiving such additional allocations.

TN #15-0033 _____

Supersedes TN #14-0004-B

Approval Date _____

Effective Date _____

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