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AUG 17 2016

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) TN 16-0027

Dear Mr. Helgeson:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-D of your Medicaid State Plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 16-0027. Effective June 16, 2016 this amendment provides temporary Vital Access Provider / Safety Net Provider (VAP/SNP) enhanced payments to seven financially distressed nursing homes.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30) and 1903(a) of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR Part 447. This letter is to inform you that New York 16-0027 is approved effective June 16, 2016. The CMS-179 and approved plan pages are enclosed.

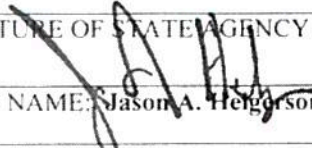

If you have any questions, please contact Betsy Pinho at 518-396-3810.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristin Fan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kristin Fan
Director

Enclosures

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 16-0027	2. STATE New York
		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 June 16, 2016	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL <i>(Check One)</i> : <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 <i>(Separate Transmittal for each amendment)</i>			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: §1902(a) of the Social Security Act, and 42 CFR 447		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: <i>(in thousands)</i> a. FFY 06/16/16-09/30/16 \$ 1,811.27 b. FFY 10/01/16-09/30/17 \$ 1,988.82	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Att 4.19-D – Part I Page 47(aa)(4); 47(aa)(6); 47(aa)(10)		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT <i>(If Applicable)</i> : Att 4.19-D – Part I Page 47(aa)(4); 47(aa)(6); 47(aa)(10)	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: Safety Net VAP-Neurodegenerative & Blue Line Group (FMAP = 50%)			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW <i>(Check One)</i> : <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 & Rate Setting 99 Washington Ave – One Commerce Plaza Suite 1460 Albany, NY 12210	
13. TYPED NAME: Jason A. Helgeson			
14. TITLE: Medicaid Director Department of Health			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: JUN 30 2016			
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17. DATE RECEIVED:		18. DATE APPROVED: AUG 17 2016	
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: JUN 16 2016		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: 	
21. TYPED NAME: Kristen Fan		22. TITLE: Director, FMG	
23. REMARKS:			

**New York
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Temporary Rate Adjustments for Mergers, Acquisitions, Consolidations, Restructurings, and Closures – Nursing Homes

A temporary rate adjustment will be provided to eligible residential health care providers that are subject to or impacted by the closure, merger, and acquisition, consolidation or restructuring of a health care provider. The rate adjustment is intended to:

- Protect or enhance access to care;
- Protect or enhance quality of care; or
- Improve the cost effectiveness.

Eligible residential health care providers, the amount of the temporary rate adjustment, and the duration of each rate adjustment period shall be listed in the table which follows. The total adjustment amount for each period shown below will be paid quarterly during each period in equal installments. The temporary payment made under this section will be an add-on to services payments made under this Attachment to such facilities during the quarter.

To remain eligible, providers must submit benchmarks and goals acceptable to the Commissioner and must submit periodic reports, as requested by the Commissioner, concerning the achievement of such benchmarks and goals. Failure to achieve satisfactory progress in accomplishing such benchmarks and goals will result in termination of the provider's temporary rate adjustment prior to the end of the specified timeframe. Once a provider's temporary rate adjustment ends, the provider will be reimbursed in accordance with the otherwise applicable rate-setting methodology as set forth in this Attachment.

Temporary rate adjustments have been approved for the following providers in the amounts and for the effective periods listed.

Nursing Homes:

Provider Name	Gross Medicaid Rate Adjustment	Rate Period Effective
Adirondack Medical Center - Mercy Living Center	\$6,694	01/01/2014 – 03/31/2014
	\$723,872	04/01/2014 – 03/31/2015
	\$918,544	06/16/2016 – 03/31/2017
Adirondack Medical Center - Uihlein Living Center	\$2,273,884	01/01/2014 – 03/31/2014
	\$2,359,369	04/01/2014 – 03/31/2015
	\$821,793	04/01/2015 - 03/31/2016
	\$1,274,864	06/16/2016 – 03/31/2017
Adirondack Tri-County Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Inc.	\$225,680	01/01/2014 – 03/31/2014
	\$1,369,690	04/01/2014 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,049,423	06/16/2016 – 03/31/2017

*Denotes provider is part of CINERGY Collaborative.

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Nursing Homes (Continued):

Provider Name	Gross Medicaid Rate Adjustment	Rate Period Effective
Charles T. Sitrin Health Care Center Inc.	\$2,000,000	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$591,984	06/16/2016 – 03/31/2017
	\$ 25,817	04/01/2017 – 03/31/2018
Crouse Community Center	\$645,000	01/01/2014 – 03/31/2014
	\$710,000	04/01/2014 – 03/31/2015
	\$65,000	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
Eger Health Care and Rehabilitation Center*	\$1,463,808	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,483,526	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$1,480,245	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017
Elizabeth Seton Pediatric Center*	\$927,714	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$940,211	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$938,131	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017
Ferncliff Nursing Home Co Inc.*	\$3,029,944	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,043,818	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	[\$1,041,509]	[04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017]
	\$1,341,809	06/16/2016 – 03/31/2017
	\$ 684,373	04/01/2017 – 03/31/2018
Field Home – Holy Comforter	\$534,500	04/01/2012 – 03/31/2013
	\$534,500	04/01/2013 – 03/31/2014
Gurwin Jewish Nursing and Rehabilitation Center*	\$1,778,009	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,801,960	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$1,797,975	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017
Heritage Commons Residential Health Care	\$976,816	01/01/2014 – 03/31/2014
	\$834,744	04/01/2014 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,055,223	06/16/2016 – 03/31/2017
Isabella Geriatric Center Inc*	\$2,902,269	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$2,941,364	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$2,934,859	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017
Island Nursing and Rehab Center*	\$903,195	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$909,966	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$908,716	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017

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Nursing Homes (Continued):

Provider Name	Gross Medicaid Rate Adjustment	Rate Period Effective
Terence Cardinal Cooke Health Care Ctr*	\$3,130,256	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$2,665,687	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	[\$2,659,791]	[04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017]
	\$1,013,227	06/16/2016 – 03/31/2017
The Wartburg Home*	\$1,020,644	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,034,392	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$1,032,104	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017
United Hebrew Geriatric Center*	\$1,152,635	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,168,162	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$1,165,578	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017
Victoria Home	\$500,000	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
VillageCare Rehabilitation and Nursing Center*	\$1,132,647	01/01/2015 – 03/31/2015
	\$1,142,631	04/01/2015 – 03/31/2016
	\$1,140,849	04/01/2016 – 03/31/2017

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