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Donna Frescatore Medicaid Director New York State Department of Health One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1211 Albany, NY 12210

RE: TN 21-0035

Dear Ms. Frescatore:

We have reviewed the proposed New York State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B transmittal number 21-0035, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on June 29, 2021. This plan amendment authorizes supplemental payments for the outpatient services of certain non-government owned or operated general hospitals.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of April 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 Tamara Sampson at 214-767-6431 or Tamara.Sampson@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Todd McMillion Director Division of Reimbursement Review

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Hospital Outpatient Supplemental Payments – Non-government Owned or Operated General Hospitals

Effective for the period April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022, supplemental payments are authorized for certain general hospitals for outpatient services furnished in the 2021 calendar year. Payments under this provision will not exceed \$143,595,774.

To receive payment under this provision, a general hospital, as defined in Attachment 4.19-A of the state plan, must meet all of the following:

- (i) must be non-government owned or operated;
- (ii) must operate an emergency room; and
- (iii) must have received an Indigent Care Pool payment for the 2021 rate year; and/or must have a facility specific projected disproportionate share hospital payment ceiling for the 2020 rate year that is greater than zero.

The amount paid to each eligible hospital will be determined based on an allocation methodology utilizing data reported in eligible hospitals' most recent Institutional Cost Report submitted to the New York State Department of Health as of October 1, 2019:

(a) Thirty percent of the payments under this provision will be allocated to eligible general hospitals classified as a safety net hospital, based on each hospital's proportionate share of all safety net hospitals' Medicaid discharges for inpatient hospital services, including both Medicaid fee-for-service and managed care discharges for acute and exempt services.

For this purpose, a safety net hospital is defined as an eligible general hospital 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 the payments under this provision will be allocated to eligible general hospitals based on each 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.

Eligible Hospitals will receive payment under (a) and/or (b), as eligible, with each hospital's payment made in a lump sum distribution.

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