

ANDREW M. CUOMO Governor **HOWARD A. ZUCKER, M.D., J.D.**Commissioner

LISA J. PINO, M.A., J.D.Executive Deputy Commissioner

September 10, 2020

Dear Health Clinic Administrator:

Pursuant to our tribal consultation policy, enclosed please find a summary of each proposed amendment to the New York State Plan. We encourage you to review the enclosed information and use the link below to also view the plan pages and Federal Public Notices for each proposal. Please provide any comments or request a personal meeting to discuss the proposed changes within two weeks of the date of this letter.

https://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/tribal/

We appreciate the opportunity to share this information with you and if there are any comments or concerns please feel free to contact Regina Deyette, Medicaid State Plan Coordinator, Office of Health Insurance Programs at 518-473-3658.

Sincerely,

/s/

Donna Frescatore Medicaid Director Office of Health Insurance Programs

Enclosures

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CMS Native American Contact

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NYSDOH American Indian Health Program

SUMMARY SPA #20-0041

This State Plan Amendment proposes to:

- Require an independent physician or clinical professional to provide orders for personal care services (PCS), including Consumer Directed Personal Assistance (CDPAP) services.
- Change the eligibility criteria for PCS and CDPAP to the currently required physician's order and to individuals that need assistance with more than two activities of daily living (ADLs) (from limited to total assistance) or, for individuals with Alzheimer's or dementia, that need at least supervision with more than one ADL.
- Require that service authorizations for PCS or CDPAP that exceed a specified level be forwarded for an additional independent medical review by an independent panel of medical professionals to review the appropriateness or sufficiency of such services.

New York 3(d)

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- 3. Recipient, family member, or volunteer reimbursement is made as an administrative expense of the Medicaid Program. This applies to any personal vehicle mileage reimbursement, lodging, airfare, or other expense borne on behalf of the Medicaid recipient by a non-direct vendor.
- 24d. Prior approval is required for skilled nursing facility services except when admitted directly from a hospital, another skilled nursing facility or from a health related facility.
 - Medicaid payments [shall] <u>will</u> not be authorized for skilled nursing facilities which are not certified or have not applied for certification to participate in Medicare.
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New York 3(d)(A)

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- a sympathetic attitude toward providing services for patients at home who have medical problems;
- good physical health, as indicated by the documentation in the personnel file of all persons providing personal care services. This documentation must include the same assurances and proof of good physical health that the Department of health requires for employees of certified home agencies;
- a criminal history record check performed to the extent required under section 124 of the PHL; and
- successfully completed a training program approved by the Department.

Personal care aides must be supervised by a registered professional nurse who is licensed and currently certified to practice in New York State and who has at least two years satisfactory recent home health care experience. Nursing supervision includes orienting the personal care aide to his/her job assignment(s); providing needed on-the-job training; making nursing supervisory visits to the patient's home PRN, but at least every 90 days; and, annually conducting an overall job performance evaluation of the aide.

New York State's Personal Care Services are provided in accordance with 42 CFR 440.167.

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New York 3(d)(i)

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• Eliminating Prescriber Prevails which applies to the Medicaid fee-for-service pharmacy program and to selected drug classes for managed care plans. Doing so would reduce inappropriate prescribing, remove barriers that limit the State's ability to manage pharmacy programs, and minimize the inappropriate influence of pharmaceutical manufacturers in the prior authorization process.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020/2021 is \$142 million and for SFY 2021/2022 is \$428 million.

Transportation

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

- Transition the State to a single Medicaid Transportation Broker to ensure that consumers receive reliable, high quality transportation services using the mode that is appropriate for the consumer.
- Discontinue the Supplemental Ambulance Rebate Payments to emergency medical transportation (EMT) providers since updating and rationalized the ambulance fee schedule consistent with the Department of Health's Ambulance Rate Adequacy Study.
- Carve transportation out of the MLTC Benefit (excluding PACE) and into fee-for-service to create efficiencies and consistency in purchasing, arranging and managing transportation services across the Medicaid program.
- Maximize Public Transit in New York City and other urban areas to encourage the use of public transportation as an alternative to livery when appropriate for the consumer.
- Reduce Taxi/Livery Rates and promoting other modes of transportation to reflect market rates for transportation services.
- Implement an ambulance diversion Triage, Treat and Transport (ET3) support program to reduce avoidable hospitalizations, subject to any necessary federal approvals.
- Pursue a Certified Public Expenditure program to maximize federal reimbursement for NEMT services incurred by municipalities.
- Create a Community Paramedicine Program to expand the roles of Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Paramedics by providing medical care to patients at home to avoid unnecessary trips to the Emergency Department (ED). EMTs and Paramedics would provide additional patient health and safety services (e.g., food, medications, fall precautions) and clinical assessment and diagnostic testing in consultation with online medical control/telemedicine physicians/advanced practitioners to avoid unnecessary trips to the hospital.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020-2021 is \$188 million and for SFY 2021-2022 is \$488 million.

Telehealth

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

• Expand Utilization of Telehealth services and reimbursement models, specifically to address behavioral health, oral health, maternity care and other high-need populations. The proposal contemplates a state-wide, hosted telehealth platform to help mitigate interoperability barriers, as well as to enhance broadband to ensure telehealth connectivity in rural areas.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020-2021 is \$15 million and for SFY 2021-2022 is \$25.4 million.

Institutional Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

- Reduce the size of the voluntary hospital Indigent Care Pool by \$75 million (State share):
- Eliminate the Indigent Care Pool "Transition Collar", which generates an additional \$12.5 million in State share savings; and
- Eliminate the Public Hospitals Indigent Care Pool, which generates \$70 million in State savings;

- Convert the value of Upper Payment Limit (UPL) payments received by public hospitals in a city with a population over a million into Medicaid reimbursement rates;
- $\bullet~$ Reduce hospital inpatient capital rate add-on by 5 percent and capital reconciliation payments by 10 percent.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020-2021 is \$728 million and for SFY 2021-2022 is \$743 million.

Long Term Care Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

- Modify the current eligibility criteria for individuals to receive Personal Care Services and Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services (CDPAS) as a Medicaid benefit, regardless of whether such services are received through fee-for-service, Mainstream Managed Care plans, or Managed Long Term Care (MLTC) plans. In order to be eligible to receive such services, an individual must be assessed to need assistance with more than two activities of daily living (ADLs) (ranging from limited assistance to total dependence).
- Institute a Home and Community Based Services lookback period of 60 months for asset transfers in determining eligibility for Medicaid for those seeking home and community based long term care services and supports as currently applies to those seeking Medicaid eligibility for nursing home care.
- Eliminate the ability of spouses living together in the community, and parents living with their child, to refuse to make their income and resources available during the determination of an applicant's eligibility for Medicaid.
- Utilize an independent clinician panel, similar to the State's Conflict Free Evaluation and Enrollment Center, to assess patients and order PCS and CDPAS under a clear set of standards and protocols.
- Implement an enhanced utilization review process by an independent assessor for any individuals who are assessed to need more than 12 hours per day on average in a given month (i.e., 360 hours per month for a 30-day month) to ensure that it remains safe for that individual to remain in the community.
- Change the frequency in which the Community Health Assessment is conducted from every six months to once annually, subject to requiring reassessments based on changes in health condition or status.
- Implement a uniform tasking tool for use by plans and Local Departments of Social Services (LDSS) to help determine service utilization, including the hours of Personal Care Services and CDPAS required each day.
- Employ the provider "choice" model to proceed with the implementation and electronic visit verification (EVV) system, as required by the Federal 21st Century Cures Act.
- Eliminate requirements that plans and LDSS educate consumers about the availability of the CDPAP program semi-annually Develop standards and protocols to determine whether consumers are self-directing and, if applicable, their designated representative is able to fulfill their obligations appropriately.
- Delay the implementation date of certain permissible Consumer First Choice Option Services (CFCO) services from January 1, 2020 to April 1, 2022.
- Incorporate additional transparency, compliance, and accountability standards to ensure that entities receiving wage parity payments are appropriately using those funds for the benefit home care aides.
- Reduce Workforce Recruitment and Retention funding for home health care workers.
- Migrate the completion of all Community Health Assessments (CHA) and reassessments to a single, statewide Independent Assessor (IA).
- Modify the minimum community spouse resource amount, which is used to determine the Medicaid eligibility of an applicant under spousal impoverishment budgeting.
 - Reduce funding associated with nursing home capital reim-

bursement by 5 percent and eliminate funding associated with return on equity payments to for-profit nursing homes.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020/2021 is \$854 million and for SFY 2021/2022 is \$1.672 billion.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

For the New York City district, copies will be available at the following places:

New York County 250 Church Street New York, New York 10018

Queens County, Queens Center 3220 Northern Boulevard Long Island City, New York 11101

Kings County, Fulton Center 114 Willoughby Street Brooklyn, New York 11201

Bronx County, Tremont Center 1916 Monterey Avenue Bronx, New York 10457

Richmond County, Richmond Center 95 Central Avenue, St. George Staten Island, New York 10301

For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432, Albany, NY 12210, spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

New York City Deferred Compensation Plan & NYCE IRA

The New York City Deferred Compensation Plan & NYCE IRA (the "Plan") is seeking proposals from qualified vendors to provide master custodial services to the City of New York Deferred Compensation Plan. The Request for Proposals ("RFP") will be available beginning on Wednesday, March 18, 2020. Responses are due no later than 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, May 28, 2020. To obtain a copy of the RFP, please visit the Plan's web site at www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/about/about-rfp.page and download and review the applicable documents.

If you have any questions, please submit them by fax to Georgette Gestely, Director, at (212) 306-7376.

Consistent with the policies expressed by the City, proposals from certified minority-owned and/or women-owned businesses or proposals that include partnering arrangements with certified minority-owned and/or women-owned firms are encouraged. Additionally, proposals from small and New York City-based businesses are also encouraged.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2019-1176

Date of Issuance - April 1, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with

and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program.

In F-2019-1176 or the "Morgenstern Residence", the applicant Richard Morgenstern, is proposing to maintain as completed 4' x 100.5' pier with 4' x 15' "T" and 3'6" x 10' steps. Maintain as completed 4'8" of additional 4' wide "T", 6' davit, 4'-5' x 31.6" pier and 4' x 32'6" pier, one boat lift, two boat whips and two safety ladders. The authorized work is located at 300 Riviera Drive, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, Great South Bay.

The applicant's consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2019-1176_Morgenstern_App.pdf

Original copies of public information and data submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, May 1, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State Uniform Code Variance / Appeal Petitions

Pursuant to 19 NYCRR Part 1205, the variance and appeal petitions below have been received by the Department of State. Unless otherwise indicated, they involve requests for relief from provisions of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code. Persons wishing to review any petitions, provide comments, or receive actual notices of any subsequent proceeding may contact Brian Tollisen or Neil Collier, Building Standards and Codes, Department of State, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-4073 to make appropriate arrangements.

2020-0134 Matter of William Szmala, Nine Cedar Avenue, Medford, NY 11763, for a variance concerning safety requirements, including the height under a girder/soffit. Involved is an existing one family dwelling located at 269 Hampton Avenue, Town of Brookhaven, NY 11772, County of Suffolk, State of New York.

2020-0141 Matter of Nassau Expeditors Inc., Scott Tirone, 75 Albertson Avenue, Albertson, NY 11507, for a variance concerning safety requirements, including the heights under a girder/soffit. Involved is an existing one family dwelling located at 190 Strattford Road, Town of North Hempstead, NY 11040, County of Nassau, State of New York.

2020-0144 Matter of JL Drafting, John Lagoudes, 707 Route 110, Suite A, Farmingdale, NY 11735, for a variance concerning safety requirements, including the height under a girder/soffit. Involved is an existing one family dwelling located at 474 Wolf Hill Road, Town Of Huntington, NY 11746, County of Suffolk, State of New York.

2020-0153 Matter of Todd Oconnell Architect PC, Todd Oconnell, 1200 Veteran Memorial Hwy. S120, Hauppauge, NY 11788, for a variance concerning safety requirements, including the height under a girder/soffit. Involved is an existing one family dwelling located at Six Whitney Court, Town of Huntington, NY 11746, County of Suffolk, State of New York.

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SUMMARY SPA #20-0054

This amendment proposes to amend the State Plan for non-institutional and long-term care services and to change certain rate setting provisions in the approved 2020-2021 New York State Budget to reflect historical utilization and efficiencies related to the transition to CCO/HHs.



Records / Submission Packages - Your State

NY - Submission Package - NY2020MS0005O - (NY-20-0054) - Health Homes

Summary Reviewable Units News Related Actions CMS-10434 OMB 0938-1188 **Package Information** Package ID NY2020MS00050 Submission Type Official Program Name NYS CCO/HHs Serving State NY Individuals with I/DD Region New York, NY **SPA ID** NY-20-0054 Package Status Pending Version Number 1

Submission - Summary MEDICAID | Medicaid State Plan | Health Homes | NY2020MS00050 | NY-20-0054 | NYS CCO/HHs Serving Individuals with I/DD **Package Header** Package ID NY2020MS00050 **SPA ID** NY-20-0054 Submission Type Official Initial Submission Date N/A Approval Date N/A Effective Date N/A Superseded SPA ID N/A **State Information** State/Territory Name: New York Medicaid Agency Name: Department of Health **Submission Component** State Plan Amendment Medicaid O CHIP

Submission - Summary

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Reviewable Unit	Proposed Effective Date	Superseded SPA ID
Health Homes Intro	7/1/2020	NY-17-0025
Health Homes Payment Methodologies	7/1/2020	NY-17-0025



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Executive Summary

Summary Description Including Care Coordination Organization/Health Home (CCO/HH) Program Improvements and Efficiencies Goals and Objectives Effective July 1, 2020, certain rate setting provisions in the approved 2020-2021 New York State Budget are being changed to reflect historical utilization and efficiencies related to the transition to CCO/HHs.

Federal Budget Impact and Statute/Regulation Citation

Federal Budget Impact

	Federal Fiscal Year	Amount
First	2020	\$-10280762
Second	2021	\$-36586341

Federal Statute / Regulation Citation

§1902(a) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR 447

Supporting documentation of budget impact is uploaded (optional).

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SPA Materials - Fiscal Calculations Template - DOH Submit	8/1 2/2020 2:08 PM EDT	XLS

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✓ Public notice was provided due to proposed changes in methods and standards for setting payment rates for services, pursuant to 42 CFR 447.205.

Upload copies of public notices and other documents used

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SAMHSA Consultation

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✓ The State provides assurance that it has consulted and coordinated with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) in addressing issues regarding the prevention and treatment of mental illness and substance abuse among eligible individuals with chronic conditions.

Date of consultation

7/20/2017



Health Homes Intro

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Program Authority

1945 of the Social Security Act

The state elects to implement the Health Homes state plan option under Section 1945 of the Social Security Act.

Name of Health Homes Program

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Executive Summary

Provide an executive summary of this Health Homes program including the goals and objectives of the program, the population, providers, services and service delivery model used

Care Coordination Organization/Health Home (CCO/HH) Program Improvements and Efficiencies

Effective July 1, 2020, certain rate setting provisions in the approved 2020-2021 New York State Budget are being changed to reflect historical utilization and efficiencies related to the transition to CCO/HHs.

The New York State Department of Health (DOH), in collaboration with the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), is seeking a new Health Home State Plan, effective July 1, 2018, to create and authorize Health Home care management for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD). The goal of establishing Health Homes to serve the I/DD population is to provide a strong, stable, person-centered approach to holistic service planning and coordination required to ensure the delivery of quality care that is integrated and supports the needs of individuals with I/DD chronic conditions. The Health Home program authorized under this State Plan shall be known as the NYS Care Coordination Organizations/Health Homes (CCO/HHs) Serving Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) Program (NYS CCO/HHs Serving I/DD) and Health Homes authorized under this State Plan shall be known as Care Coordination Organizations/Health Homes (CCO/HHs). As described in more detail, this SPA will establish requirements for the NYS CCO/HHs Serving I /DD Program, including establishing eligible I/DD Health Home chronic conditions; transitioning Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) and Plan of Care Support Services (PCSS) to Health Homes; establishing per member per month rates for Health Homes designated to serve members with I/DD; defining CCO/HHs core requirements, including Health Information Technology (HIT) requirements; establishing the processes for referring Medicaid members to CCO/HHs; and defining the requirements for providers to be eligible to be designated as CCO/HHs. The State Plan authorizes the statewide enrollment of individuals with eligible Developmental Disability conditions in designated CCO/HHs.

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- 🗹 The states provides assurance that it will not prevent individuals who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid from receiving Health
- 🗹 The state provides assurance that hospitals participating under the state plan or a waiver of such plan will be instructed to establish procedures for referring eligible individuals with chronic conditions who seek or need treatment in a hospital emergency department to designated Health Homes providers.
- ☑ The state provides assurance that FMAP for Health Homes services shall be 90% for the first eight fiscal quarters from the effective date of the SPA. After the first eight quarters, expenditures will be claimed at the regular matching rate.
- ☑ The state provides assurance that it will have the systems in place so that only one 8-quarter period of enhanced FMAP for each health homes enrollee will be claimed.
- 🗹 The state provides assurance that there will be no duplication of services and payment for similar services provided under other Medicaid authorities.

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Agency Rates

Describe the rates used

- O FFS Rates included in plan
- O Comprehensive methodology included in plan
- The agency rates are set as of the following date and are effective for services provided on or after that date

Effective Date

7/1/2020

Website where rates are displayed

https://health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/medicaid_health _homes/idd/index.htm



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Rate Development

Provide a comprehensive description in the SPA of the manner in which rates were set

- 1. In the SPA please provide the cost data and assumptions that were used to develop each of the rates
- 2. Please identify the reimbursable unit(s) of service
- 3. Please describe the minimum level of activities that the state agency requires for providers to receive payment per the defined unit
- 4. Please describe the state's standards and process required for service documentation, and
- 5. Please describe in the SPA the procedures for reviewing and rebasing the rates, including
 - the frequency with which the state will review the rates, and
 - · the factors that will be reviewed by the state in order to understand if the rates are economic and efficient and sufficient to ensure quality services.

Comprehensive Description Provide a comprehensive description of the rate-setting policies the State will use to establish Health Homes provider reimbursement fee for service or PMPM rates. Explain how the methodology is consistent with the goals of efficiency, economy and quality of care within your description please explain the reimbursable unit(s) of service, the cost assumptions and other relevant factors used to determine the payment amounts, the minimum level of activities that the State agency requires for providers to receive payment per the defined unit, and the State's standards and process required for service documentation.

> Care Coordination Organization/Health Home (CCO/HH) Program Improvements and Efficiencies Effective July 1, 2020, certain rate setting provisions in the approved 2020-2021 New York State Budget are being changed to reflect historical utilization and efficiencies related to the transition to CCO/HHs.

Care Management Fee

CCO/HH providers that meet State and federal standards will be paid a per member per month care management fee that is based on region, assessment data, residential status and other functional indicators. A unit of service will be defined as a billable unit per service month. To be reimbursed for a billable unit of service per month, CCO/HH providers must, at a minimum, provide active care management by providing at least one of the core health home services per month. Once an individual has been assigned a care manager and is enrolled in the CCO/HHs program, the active care management per member per month (PMPM) may be billed. Care managers must maintain the CCO/HHs consent forms and document all services provided to the member in the member's life plan. Upon enrollment in the program, Care Managers will attest in the State system the individual's consent to enroll in Health Homes. The CCO will maintain the consent form electronically within the individual's record in the Care Coordination system.

As described in the attachment CCO/HH Rate Setting Methodology, the care management PMPM will include four rate tiers. The rate tier of an individual is determined by region, the intensity of care coordination required to serve the individual and the residential/living setting of the individual. For enrollees who are new to the OPWDD service delivery system, there will be a separate tiered CCO/HH care management PMPM that may be billed for the first month of enrollment in CCO/HH for individuals who have never received a Medicaid-funded long-term service. The separate tiered rate includes costs related to preparing an initial life plan; an initial Medicaid application, if needed; and gathering documentation and records to support the I/DD diagnosis, that such I/DD condition results in substantial handicap and the individual's ability to function normally in society and level of care determination. The PMPM rate tiers are calculated based on total costs relating to the care manager (salary, fringe benefits, non-personal services, capital and administration costs) and, for each tier, caseload assumptions. The State will periodically review the CCO/HH payments in conjunction with Department of Labor salary data to ensure that the Health Home rates are sufficient to ensure quality services. In addition, based on operating experience, the State will make adjustments, as appropriate, to the PMPM.

Medicaid Service Coordinators (MSC) and Plan of Care Support Services (PCSS)

CCO/HH MSC and PCSS agencies that provide care management to individuals with developmental disabilities under the State Plan that convert to a CCO/HH or become part of a CCO/HHs will be paid the care management PMPMs described above.

All payment policies have been developed to assure that there is no duplication of payment for CCO/HH $\,$

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Assurances

☑ The State provides assurance that it will ensure non-duplication of payment for services similar to Health Homes services that are offered/covered under a different statutory authority, such as 1915(c) waivers or targeted case management.

Describe below how non- All rates are published on the DOH website. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee **duplication of payment will be** schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers. All of the above payment **achieved** policies have been developed to assure that there is no duplication of payment for health home services.

☑ The state has developed payment methodologies and rates that are consistent with section 1902(a)(30)(A).

☑ The State provides assurance that all governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same rate schedule, unless otherwise described above.

The State provides assurance that it shall reimburse providers directly, except when there are employment or contractual arrangements consistent with section 1902(a)(32).

Optional Supporting Material Upload

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Notice of Abandoned Property Received by the State Comptroller

Pursuant to provisions of the Abandoned Property Law and related laws, the Office of the State Comptroller receives unclaimed monies and other property deemed abandoned. A list of the names and last known addresses of the entitled owners of this abandoned property is maintained by the office in accordance with Section 1401 of the Abandoned Property Law. Interested parties may inquire if they appear on the Abandoned Property Listing by contacting the Office of Unclaimed Funds, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at:

1-800-221-9311 or visit our web site at: www.osc.state.ny.us

Claims for abandoned property must be filed with the New York State Comptroller's Office of Unclaimed Funds as provided in Section 1406 of the Abandoned Property Law. For further information contact: Office of the State Comptroller, Office of Unclaimed Funds, 110 State St., Albany, NY 12236.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Division of Criminal Justice Services Commission on Forensic Science

Pursuant to Public Officers Law section 104, the Division of Criminal Justice Services gives notice of a meeting of the New York State Commission on Forensic Science to be held on:

Date: June 5, 2020 Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Video Conference Only: The webcast information for this meeting will be posted on the Division of Criminal Justice website under the Newsroom, Open Meeting/ Webcasts.

https://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/pio/openmeetings.htm

PUBLIC NOTICE

Division of Criminal Justice Services Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council

Pursuant to Public Officers Law § 104, the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services gives notice of a virtual meeting of the Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council to be held on:

Date: Thursday, June 4, 2020

Гіте: 10:00 а.т.

For further information, please contact: Division of Criminal Justice Services, Office of Public Safety, Alfred E. Smith Office Bldg., 80 S. Swan St., Albany, NY 12210, 518-457-2667

Live Webcast will be available as soon as the meeting commences at: http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/pio/openmeetings.htm

PUBLIC NOTICE

Division of Criminal Justice Services Municipal Police Training Council

Pursuant to Public Officers Law § 104, the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services gives notice of a virtual meeting of the Municipal Police Training Council to be held on:

Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Time: 10:00 a.m.

For further information, please contact: Division of Criminal Justice Services, Office of Public Safety, Alfred E. Smith Office Bldg., 80 S. Swan St., Albany, NY 12210, 518-457-2667

Live Webcast will be available as soon as the meeting commences at: http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/pio/openmeetings.htm

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional and long term care services. Proposed changes are being made to effect certain rate setting provisions in the approved 2020-2021 New York State Budget, to reflect historical utilization and efficiencies, and to make other operational, technical and streamlining changes. The following changes are proposed:

Non-Institutional Services:

Effective on or after July 1, 2020 the Commissioner of Health in consultation with the Commissioner of the Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), will amend the State Plan for Health Home services to adjust reimbursement to reflect historical utilization and other efficiencies related to the transition to CCOs.

Long Term Care Services:

Effective on or after October 1, 2020, DOH and OPWDD propose to amend the State Plan, to revise the rate setting methodology for calculating the occupancy adjustment for Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities by limiting or eliminating the adjustment based on a system-wide assessment of vacancy utilization, impose a limit on the amount of administration that is recognized in the rate methodology, as well as consider other actions to limit reimbursement where individuals are not in residence.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2020-2021 is approximately (\$ 75.2 million).

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

For the New York City district, copies will be available at the following places:

New York County 250 Church Street New York, NY 10018

Queens County, Queens Center 3220 Northern Boulevard Long Island City, New York 11101 Kings County, Fulton Center 114 Willoughby Street Brooklyn, New York 11201

Bronx County, Tremont Center 1916 Monterey Avenue Bronx, New York 10457

Richmond County, Richmond Center 95 Central Avenue, St. George Staten Island, New York 10301

For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432 Albany, NY 12210, spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health (DOH) proposes to amend the Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Comprehensive Waiver (NY.0238). Proposed changes are being made to effect certain rate setting provisions in the approved 2020-2021 New York State Budget and to make other operational changes and streamlining changes.

The Amendment will revise the rate setting methodology for calculating the occupancy adjustment for Supervised Residential Habilitation services by limiting or eliminating the adjustment based on a system-wide assessment of vacancy utilization, as well as consider other actions to limit reimbursement where individuals are not in residence. The rate setting regions for Community Prevocational Services will be realigned with the rate settings regions already in use for Community Habilitation services.

The description of Community Habilitation will be updated to reflect that OPWDD will implement clinical review tools to formalize a three-step review process for consistency and efficiency of decision making and fairness and equity of service authorizations for Community Habilitation. This amendment will also implement technical changes to streamline the completion of the Documentation of Choices form by eliminating the need for Regional Office staff to sign the form.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2020-2021 is approximately \$103.8 million.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed HCBS Waiver Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the OPWDD's website at: https://opwdd.ny.gov/providers/home-and-community-based-services-waiver as of June 1, 2020. Individuals without Internet access may view the proposed Amendment at any local (county) social services district.

Copies will be also be available at local Developmental Disabilities Regional Offices (DDRO) at the following addresses:

Finger Lakes DDRO 620 Westfall Rd./326 Sun St. Rochester, NY 14620

Western NY DDRO 1200 East and West Rd., Building 16 West Seneca, NY 14224

Broome DDRO 249 Glenwood Rd. Binghamton, NY 13905 Central NY DDRO 187 Northern Concourse North Syracuse, NY 13212

Sunmount DDRO 2445 State Route 30 Tupper Lake, NY 12986

Capital District DDRO 500 Balltown Rd. Schenectady, NY 12304

Hudson Valley DDRO 9 Wilbur Rd. Thiells, NY 10984

Taconic DDRO 38 Firemens Way Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Bernard Fineson DDRO 80-45 Winchester Blvd, Building 80, 2nd Floor Administrative Suite Queens Village, NY 11427

Metro NY DDRO/Bronx 2400 Halsey St. Bronx, NY 10461

Brooklyn DDRO 888 Fountain Ave. Bldg. 1, 2nd Floor Brooklyn, NY 11239

Metro NY DDRO/Manhattan 25 Beaver St., 7th Floor New York, NY 10004

Staten Island DDRO 930 Willowbrook Rd. Staten Island, NY 10314

Long Island DDRO 415-A Oser Ave. Hauppauge, NY 11788

Written comments will be accepted by email at peoplefirstwaiver@opwdd.ny.gov or by mail at Office for People With Developmental Disabilities, Division of Policy and Program Development, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229. All comments must be postmarked or emailed by July 1, 2020. Please indicate "OPWDD 1915(c) October 2020 Waiver Amendment Comments" in the subject line.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0084

Date of Issuance – May 27, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activities comply with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCMP).

SUMMARY SPA #20-0057

This State Plan Amendment proposes to reflect the recalculated weights, with component updates. The requirement to reweight using updated Medicaid claims data is being revised from no less frequently than every eight years to no less frequently than every nine years.



New York 2(g)(2)

APG Reimbursement Methodology – Freestanding Clinics

The following links direct users to the various definitions and factors that comprise the APG reimbursement methodology, which can also be found in aggregate on the APG website at http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/apg/index.htm. In addition, prior period information associated with these links is available upon request to the Department of Health.

Contact Information:

3M APG Crosswalk*:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/apg/index.htm Click on "3M Versions and Crosswalks," then on "3M APG Crosswalk" toward bottom of page, and finally on "Accept" at bottom of page.

APG Alternative Payment Fee Schedule; updated as of 01/01/11:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Alternative Payment Fee Schedule."

APG Consolidation Logic; logic is from version 3.14.19.1, updated as of 01/01/19:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/bundling/ Click on "2019"

APG 3M Definitions Manual; version 3.15 updated as of [01/01/20 and 04/01/20] 07/01/20 and 10/01/20:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "3M Versions and Crosswalk."

APG Investments by Rate Period; updated as of 07/01/10:

APG Relative Weights; updated as of [01/01/20] 07/01/20:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Weights, Proc Weights, and APG Fee Schedule Amounts."

Associated Ancillaries; updated as of 01/01/20:

*Older 3M APG crosswalk versions available upon request.

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Carve-outs; updated	d as of 10/01/12. The full list of carve-outs is contained in Never P	ay
APGs and Never Pay	Procedures:	

Coding Improvement Factors (CIF); updated as of 04/01/12 and 07/01/12:

If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay APGs; updated 01/01/15:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay APGs."

If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay Procedures; updated 01/01/19:

Modifiers; updated as of 07/01/18:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Modifiers."

Never Pay APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

Never Pay Procedures; updated as of [01/01/20] 07/01/20:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Never Pay Procedures."

No-Blend APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

No-Blend Procedures; updated as of 01/01/11:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "No-Blend Procedures."

No Capital Add-on APGs: updated as of 01/01/20:

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No Capital Add-on Procedure	\mathbf{s} ; updated as of $07/01/1$.7:
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http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "No Capital Add-on Procedures."

Non-50% Discounting APG List; updated as of [01/01/20] <u>07/01/20</u>:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Non-50% Discounting APG List."

Rate Codes Carved Out of APGs; updated as of 01/01/15:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Rate Codes Carved Out of APGs for Article 28 facilities."

Rate Codes Subsumed by APGs; updated as of 01/01/11 and 07/01/11:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Rate Codes Subsumed by APGs – Freestanding Article 28."

Statewide Base Rate APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Statewide Base Rate APGs."

Packaged Ancillaries in APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Packaged Ancillaries in APGs."

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New York 2(k)

Reimbursement Methodology – Freestanding Clinics

- I. The criteria for using a procedure-based weight or the relative weight in the methodology is as follows: If a procedure-based weight is available for a particular procedure code, then the procedure-based weight is used. If a procedure-based weight is not available for a particular procedure code, then the relative weight (i.e., "APG weight") is used.
- II. The initial calculation of the APG relative weights were developed using line level charges from 2005 New York Medicaid hospital claims converted to cost using the ratio of cost to charges methodology. The line level costs were brought up to the APG level to determine the average cost of each APG.
 - a. The APG relative weights will be updated no less frequently than every [eight] nine years based on hospital claims data. These APG and weights are set as of September 1, 2009, and are effective for specified services on and after that date. A link to the list of APGs and their relative weights is available in the APG Reimbursement Methodology Freestanding Clinics section.
 - b. The APG relative weights [shall] will be re-weighted prospectively. The initial reweighting will be based on Medicaid claims data for hospitals from the December 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009 period. Subsequent re-weightings will be based on Medicaid hospital claims data from the most recent twelve-month period and will be based on complete and accurate line level procedure and charge data and ratio of cost to charge data.
 - c. The Department [shall] will correct material errors of any given APG relative weight. Such corrections [shall] will make use of benchmarking data consisting of payment information from other payers (including Medicare) reimbursing comparable services. Corrections to material errors in individual APG relative weights [shall] will be made on a prospective basis.
- III. The case mix index is an expression of the average paid APG weight for a given peer group after consolidation, packaging, and discounting. Case mix indices [shall] will be calculated by running applicable freestanding D&TC and ambulatory surgery center claims data through the latest version of the APG software to determine the average final APG weight of the visits. Outlier claims or claim lines may be excluded from this calculation to assure overall accuracy of the final case mix index. Recalculations of case mix indices for periods prior to January 1, 2010, will be based on freestanding D&TC and ambulatory surgery center Medicaid data for 2007. Such revisions for the period commencing January 1, 2010, will be based on such data from the January 1, 2009 through November 15, 2009 period. Subsequent recalculations will be based on freestanding D&TC and ambulatory surgery center Medicaid claims data from the most recent twelve month period.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to revise provisions of the Ambulatory Patient Group (APG) reimbursement methodology. The following changes are proposed:

Non-Institutional Services

Effective on or after July 1, 2020, the Ambulatory Patient Group (APG) reimbursement methodology is revised to include recalculated weight and component updates to reflect the APG policy updates.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative is (\$284,000).

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

For the New York City district, copies will be available at the following places:

New York County 250 Church Street New York, New York 10018

Queens County, Queens Center 3220 Northern Boulevard Long Island City, New York 11101

Kings County, Fulton Center 114 Willoughby Street Brooklyn, New York 11201

Bronx County, Tremont Center 1916 Monterey Avenue Bronx, New York 10457

Richmond County, Richmond Center 95 Central Avenue, St. George Staten Island, New York 10301

For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432, Albany, NY 12210, spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0104

Date of Issuance – June 17, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program.

In F-2020-0104, Jay Morrow is proposing to repair a wooden breakwall and installing rip rap backfill with wooden breakwall area. The stated purpose is to repair structures damaged by high water,

utilizing rip rap rock to help prevent erosion and damage with the wooden breakwall structure.

The proposal is for 1752 Lake Road in the Town of Webster along Lake Ontario.

The applicant's consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0104ForPN.pdf

Original copies of public information and data submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, July 17, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0238

Date of Issuance - June 17, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activities comply with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCMP). The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

In F-2020-0238, General Motors LLC (GE) is proposing the installation of wedge-wire screens at their existing GE Tonawanda Engine facility water intake structure located on the eastern shore of the Niagara River in Tonawanda, New York. The purpose of the proposed wedge-wire screens is to meet New York State Department of Environmental Conservation impingement and entrainment requirements for the issuance of a water withdrawal permit.

The applicant's consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0238GeneralMotors.pdf

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0362

Date of Issuance – June 17, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities

SUMMARY SPA #20-0058

This State Plan Amendment proposes to revise the Ambulatory Patient Group (APG) methodology for hospital-based clinic and ambulatory surgery services, including emergency room services, to reflect the recalculated weights with component updates. The reweighting requirement using updated Medicaid claims data is being revised from no less frequently than every eight years to no less frequently than every nine years.



New York 1(e)(2)

APG Reimbursement Methodology – Hospital Outpatient

The following links direct users to the various definitions and factors that comprise the APG reimbursement methodology, which can also be found in aggregate on the APG website at http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/apg/index.htm. In addition, prior period information associated with these links is available upon request to the Department of Health.

Contact Information:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/apg/index.htm Click on "Contacts."

3M APG Crosswalk, version 3.15; updated as of [01/01/20 and 04/01/20] <u>07/01/20 and 10/01/20</u>:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/crosswalk/index.htm http://dashboard.emedny.org/CrossWalk/html/cwAgreement.html Click on "Accept" at bottom of page to gain access.

APG Alternative Payment Fee Schedule; updated as of 01/01/11:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Alternative Payment Fee Schedule."

APG Consolidation Logic; logic is from the version of 4/01/08, updated as of 01/01/19: http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/bundling/ Click on "2019"

APG 3M Definitions Manual Versions: updated as of [01/01/20 and 04/01/20] <u>07/01/20 and 10/01/20</u>:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health care/medicaid/rates/crosswalk/index.htm

APG Investments by Rate Period; updated as of 01/01/11:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Investments by Rate Period."

APG Relative Weights; updated as of [01/01/20]07/01/20:

Associated Ancillaries; updated as of 01/01/20:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/apg/index.htm Click on "Ancillary Policy."

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Carve-outs;	updated	as of 10	/01	/12:
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http://www.health.ny.gov/health care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Carve Outs."

Coding Improvement Factors (CIF); updated as of 07/01/12:

If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay APGs; updated as of 01/01/15:

If Stand Alone, Do Not Pay Procedures; updated as of 01/01/19:

Modifiers; updated as of 07/01/18:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click_on "Modifiers."

Never Pay APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Never Pay APGs."

Never Pay Procedures; updated as of [01/01/20] 07/01/20:

No-Blend APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

No-Blend Procedures; updated as of 01/01/11:

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New York 1(e)(2.2)

No Capital Add-on APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

No Capital Add-on Procedures; updated as of 07/01/17:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "No Capital Add-on Procedures."

Non-50% Discounting APG List; updated as of [01/01/20] <u>07/01/20</u>:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Non-50% Discounting APG List."

Rate Codes Carved Out of APGs; updated as of 01/01/15:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Rate Codes Carved Out of APGs for Article 28 facilities."

Rate Codes Subsumed by APGs; updated as of 10/01/12:

http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/rates/methodology/index.htm Click on "Rate Codes Subsumed by APGs – Hospital Article 28."

Statewide Base Rate APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

Packaged Ancillaries in APGs; updated as of 01/01/20:

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Reimbursement Methodology – Hospital Outpatient

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Programs, Waiver Management Unit, 99 Washington Ave., 7th floor, Suite 720, Suite 1208, Albany, NY 12210

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0104

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0238

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0362

Date of Issuance – June 17, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities

SUMMARY SPA #20-0059

This State Plan Amendment proposes to revise the sunset date for School Supportive Health Services Program Certified Public Expenditure reimbursement methodology.



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H. Cost Reconciliation Process

Once all interim claims (CPT/HCPCS claims) are paid, the State will calculate the final reconciliation and settlement. There will be separate settlements for every Medicaid provider. The cost reconciliation process will be completed after the reporting period covered by the annual SSHSP Cost Report. The total CMS-approved, Medicaid allowable scope of costs based on CMS-approved cost allocation methodology procedures is compared to the provider's Medicaid interim payments for school health services delivered during the reporting period as documented in the MMIS and CMS-64 form, resulting in cost reconciliation.

For the purposes of cost reconciliation, the State may not modify the CMS-approved scope of costs, the CMS-approved cost allocation methodology procedures, or its CMS-approved time study for cost-reporting purposes. CMS approval will be sought prior to any modification to the scope of cost, cost allocation methodology procedures, or time study for cost-reporting purposes.

I. Cost Settlement Process

For services delivered for a period covering July 1st through June 30th the annual SSHSP Cost Report is due on or before December 31st of the same year. The final reconciliation will occur prior to the 24th month following the end of the fiscal period to ensure all claims are paid through MMIS for the dates of service in the reporting period.

As part of the final cost reconciliation and cost settlement DOH will conduct an analysis of the Medicaid payments to ensure compliance with the requirements for efficiency and economy as outlined in the Social Security Act section 1902(a)(30)(A) and LEAs found to be out of compliance may be subjected to a corrective action plan.

If final reconciled settlement payments exceed the actual, certified costs of the provider for SSHSP services to Medicaid clients, an amount equal to the overpayment will be returned. Overpayments will be recouped within one year from the date that the overpayment was discovered.

If actual, certified costs of a provider for SSHSP services exceed the interim claiming, the DOH and the providers will share in the retention of the incremental payment. The final settlement will be an accounting adjustment that is made off-line for each provider. The State will report the final settlement that is paid to each provider on the CMS-64 form for the quarter corresponding to the date of payment.

J. Sunset Date

Effective for dates of service on or after [October] <u>July</u> 1, [2017] <u>2020</u> through June 30, [2020] <u>2023</u>; the State will be able to process cost reconciliations and cost settlements on all cost reports completed for the fiscal years covering dates of service through June 30, [2020] <u>2023</u>.

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The annual PSSHS Cost Report includes a certification of funds statement to be completed, certifying the provider's actual, incurred costs/expenditures. All filed annual PSSHS Cost Reports are subject to a desk review by the DOH or its designee.

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If interim claiming payments exceed the actual, certified costs of the provider for PSSHSP services to Medicaid clients, an amount equal to the overpayment will be returned. Overpayments will be recouped within one year from the date that the overpayment was discovered.

If actual, certified costs of a provider for PSSHSP services exceed the interim claiming, the Department of Health (DOH) and the providers will share in the retention of the incremental payment. The final settlement will be an accounting adjustment that is made off-line for each provider. The State will report the final settlement that is paid to each provider in the CMS-64 form for the quarter corresponding to the date of payment.

J. Sunset Date

Effective for dates of service on or after [October] <u>July</u> 1, [2018] <u>2020</u> through June 30, [2020] <u>2023</u>; the State will be able to process cost reconciliations and cost settlements on all cost reports completed for the fiscal years covering dates of service through June 30, [2020] <u>2023</u>.

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New York 18(h)

Outlined in the Social Security Act section 1902(a)(30)(A) and LEAs found to be out of compliance may be subjected to a corrective action plan.

If interim claiming and tentative settlement payments exceed the actual, certified cost of the provider for PSSHSP services to Medicaid clients, an amount equal to the overpayment will be returned. Overpayments will be recouped within one year from the date that the overpayment was discovered.

I. Sunset Date

Effective for dates of services on or after [September] July 1, [2018] 2020 through June 30, [2020] 2023; the State will be able to process cost reconciliations and cost settlements on all cost reports completed for the fiscal years covering dates of service through June 30, [2020] 2023.

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New York 18(q)

If interim claiming and tentative settlement payments exceed the actual. certified costs of the provider for SSHSP services to Medicaid clients, an amount equal to the overpayment will be returned. Overpayments will be recouped within one year from the date that the overpayment was discovered.

If actual. certified costs of a provider for SSHSP services exceed the interim claiming and tentative settlement, the DOH and the providers will share in the retention of the incremental payment. The final settlement will be an accounting adjustment that is made off-line for each provider. The State will report the final settlement that is paid to each provider in the CMS-64 quarter corresponding to the date of payment.

I. Sunset Date

Effective for dates of services on or after July 1, [2018] 2020 through June 30, [2020] 2023; the State will be able to process cost reconciliations and cost settlements on all cost reports completed for the fiscal years covering dates of service through June 30, [2020] 2023.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

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Non-Institutional Services

Effective on or after July 1, 2020 in accordance with Sections 368-d and 368-e of the Social Services Law, the Department of Health proposes to request federal CMS approval to extend utilization of certified public expenditures (CPEs) reimbursement methodology for School Supportive Health Services through June 30, 2023.

There is no additional estimated annual change to gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of the proposed amendment.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0007

Date of Issuance – June 24, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program. The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection on the New York State Department of State's website at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0007.pdf

In F-2020-0007, or the "West Meadow Creek Shoreline Stabilization Project", the applicants – Chuni-Lal Ruder and Usha C. Ruder – propose to replace a failed living shoreline with a hybrid living shoreline incorporating a stone revetment toe with maritime plantings above Spring High Water. In addition, the applicants propose to repair/replacement in kind and in place of the existing timber stairs and footings to restore beach access. The purpose is to reduce severe bank erosion and restore native plantings in and adjacent to the coastal zone along West Meadow Creek Proposed repair replacement in kind and in place of damaged timber stairs and footings to restore beach access.

The project is located at 24 Night Heron Drive in the Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County on West Meadow Creek.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, July 9, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to Department of State, Planning, Development and Community Infrastructure, Consistency Review Unit, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0158

Date of Issuance - June 24, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activities comply with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCMP). The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

In F-2020-0158 the applicant, Shannon Harris, is proposing to remove an existing 210-foot long seawall and replace it with a precast concrete block seawall that is approximately 208 linear feet, 1.5-3' taller than the existing, and is placed a maximum of 10' in front of the existing. This new seawall will have tie backs, geogrid, and earthwork to secure it. This project is located at the 123 River Road, Town of Esopus, Ulster County, Hudson River.

The applicant's consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0158.pdf

The proposed activity would be located within or has the potential to affect the following Special Management or Regulated Area(s):

- Town of Esopus Local Waterfront Revitalization Program: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/lwrp.html
- Estates District Scenic Area of Statewide Significance: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/HudsonSASS/Hudson%20River%20Valley%20SASS.pdf

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice or July 24, 2020.

SUMMARY SPA #20-0061

This State Plan Amendment proposes to clarify the methodology for distribution of the rural enhancement for certain Personal Care services.



New York 6(a)(7)

Effective [April 1, 2018] <u>July 1, 2020, and annually beginning January 1, 2021,</u> Medicaid qualified personal care providers in Federally Designated Frontier and Remote (FAR) areas of New York State will be eligible for a [rate adjustment] <u>supplemental payment</u> to address loses between the amount the provider pays for Level II, Nursing Assessment and Nursing Supervision and the Medicaid reimbursement for these services.

The FAR areas are determined by the US Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service and are based on zip codes and use population and urban-rural data from the [2010] the latest available U.S. Census.

Eligibility

Eligibility is based on the provider experiencing a combined loss in the Medicaid Personal Care Level II, Nursing Supervision and Nursing Assessment services as identified using the most recent complete calendar year cost reports for providers in the FAR regions.

Methodology

- The State identified \$3M to support this rural initiative for both Personal Care services through the State Plan and the NHTD and TBI Waiver services.
- Distribution of the \$3M between the Personal Care services and the NHTD and TBI
 Waiver services will be based on a demonstration of overall losses between the service
 areas.
- For Personal Care services, a difference will be calculated between actual cost and current rates paid for the sum of Level II, Nursing Assessment and Nursing Supervisor using the Cost Report data:
 - Each provider's loss is divided by the sum of all eligible losses to establish a percentage of loss for each provide.
 - This percentage of loss is used to allocate up to \$3M, as a supplemental payment to qualifying FAR Personal Care providers, not to exceed the value of the provider's loss.
 - [• The allocation of funds is divided by the sum of Level II hours, Nursing Supervision visits, and Nursing Assessment visits, by providers in the FAR region using the most recent completed calendar year cost report to establish a rate add-on for the provider. This add-on is added to the current rates of Level II, Nursing Assessment and Nursing Supervision.]

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES/HEARINGS

Notice of Abandoned Property Received by the State Comptroller

Pursuant to provisions of the Abandoned Property Law and related laws, the Office of the State Comptroller receives unclaimed monies and other property deemed abandoned. A list of the names and last known addresses of the entitled owners of this abandoned property is maintained by the office in accordance with Section 1401 of the Abandoned Property Law. Interested parties may inquire if they appear on the Abandoned Property Listing by contacting the Office of Unclaimed Funds, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at:

1-800-221-9311 or visit our web site at: www.osc.state.ny.us

Claims for abandoned property must be filed with the New York State Comptroller's Office of Unclaimed Funds as provided in Section 1406 of the Abandoned Property Law. For further information contact: Office of the State Comptroller, Office of Unclaimed Funds, 110 State St., Albany, NY 12236.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for institutional services. The following changes are proposed:

Institutional Services

Effective on or after July 1, 2020 this provision proposes to revise Residential Treatment Facility (RTF) language to clarify (1) reimbursement methodologies, particularly with regards to facilities who experience changes in capacity, open a new RTF; and (2) methods for smooth transition of services or closure of facilities.

There is no additional estimated annual change to gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of this proposed amendment.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to comply with Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2018. The following changes are proposed: Non-Institutional Services

Effective on or after July 1, 2020, this proposes to clarify existing State Plan language related to targeted Medicaid support for personal care in rural areas of the State.

There is no additional estimated annual change to gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of this proposed amendment.

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Department of State F-2020-0007

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0158

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Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice or July 24, 2020.

SUMMARY SPA #20-0062

This State Plan Amendment proposes to make revisions to the Residential Treatment Facility (RTF) language to clarify (1) reimbursement methodologies, particularly with regards to facilities who experience changes in capacity, open a new RTF; and (2) methods for smooth transition of services or closure of facilities.



B. RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Medicaid rates for Residential Treatment Facilities for Children and Youth ("RTFs") are established prospectively, based upon actual costs and patient days as reported on cost reports for the fiscal year two years prior to the rate year. The RTF fiscal year and rate year are for the twelve months July 1 through June 30. Alternate Cost Reports may be utilized to align with appealed rate periods until such time that the appealed information would be fully reflected in the facilities annual cost report. Actual patient days are subject to a maximum utilization of 96 percent and a minimum utilization of 90 percent. [For the rate years July 1, 1994 through June 30, 1995 and July 1, 1995 through June 30, 1996 the base year for both rate years for the purpose of setting rates will be July 1, 1992 through June 30, 1993.

Effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, the rate of payment will be that which was in effect June 30, 2011.

Effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, the rate of payment will be that which was in effect June 30, 2011.

Effective July 1, 2015, such rate of payment will be lowered to reflect the removal of pharmaceutical costs, except as provided for in Section 1, below.]

1. OPERATING COSTS

Allowable operating costs are subject to the review and approval of the Office of Mental Health[, and will exclude eligible pharmaceuticals which will be reimbursed using the Fee-for-Service Program through the Medicaid formulary administered by the New York State Department of Health. The Fee-for-Service Program will be utilized for the purchase of eligible pharmaceuticals commencing on the date the child is determined to be Medicaid eligible. The cost of medications provided to the child before the determination of Medicaid eligibility will be the responsibility of the RTF, and considered an allowable cost in the development of the provider's reimbursement rate for inpatient stays]. In determining the allowability of costs, the Office of Mental Health reviews the categories of cost, described below, with consideration given to the special needs of the patient population to be served by the RTF. The categories of costs include:

- (i) Clinical/<u>Direct</u> Care <u>(C/DC)</u>. This category of costs includes salaries and fringe benefits for clinical and direct care staff.
- (ii) [Other than Clinical Care.] <u>Administration, Maintenance and Supports (AMS).</u> This category of costs includes the costs associated with administration, maintenance and child support.
- (iii) Purchased Health Services (PHS). This category of costs includes clinical services such as dental services, purchased on a contractual basis and not subject to the clinical standard if the services are not uniformly provided by all RTFs and thus not considered by the Commissioner in the establishment of the approved staffing levels.

Allowable per diem operating costs in the category of [clinical care] <u>C/DC</u> are limited to the lesser of the reported costs or the amount derived from the number of clinical staff approved by the Commissioner multiplied by a standard salary and fringe benefit amount. [Clinical services such as dental services, purchased on a contractual basis will be considered allowable and not subject to the clinical standard if the services are not uniformly provided by all RTFs and thus not considered by the Commissioner in the establishment of the approved staffing levels.]

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New York 3(a)

Allowable per diem operating costs in the category of other than clinical care are limited to the lesser of the reported costs or a standard amount.

The standard amounts for the [clinical and other than clinical] <u>C/DC and AMS</u> categories are computed as follows. For RTFs located in the New York City metropolitan statistical area and Nassau and Suffolk counties the standard is: the sum of 50 percent of the average per diem cost for all RTFs in this geographic area and 50 percent of the average per diem cost for all RTFs in the state; increased by seven and one half percent. For RTFs located outside the New York City metropolitan statistical area and Nassau and Suffolk counties the standard is: the sum of 50 percent of the average per diem cost for all RTFs located outside the New York City metropolitan statistical area and Nassau and Suffolk Counties and 50 percent of the average per diem cost for all RTFs in the state; increased by seven and one half percent.



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Allowable operating costs as determined in the preceding paragraphs [will be increased annually by the Medicare inflation factor for hospitals and units excluded from the prospective payment system except for the rate periods effective July 1, 1995 through June 30, 1996, July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 and July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, where no inflation factor will be used to trend costs. Effective January 1, 2015, allowable operating costs] will be trended by the Medicare inflation factor.

2. CAPITAL COSTS

To allowable operating costs are added allowable capital costs. Allowable capital costs are determined by the application of principles developed for determining reasonable cost payments under the Medicare program. Allowable capital costs include an allowance for depreciation and interest. To be allowable, capital expenditures which are subject to the Office of Mental Health's [certificate of need] Prior Approval Review (PAR) procedures must be reviewed and approved by the Office of Mental Health.

Transfer of Ownership

In establishing an appropriate allowance for depreciation and for interest on capital indebtedness and (if applicable) a return on equity capital with respect to an asset of a hospital which has undergone a change of ownership, that the valuation of the asset after such change of ownership [shall] will be the lesser of the allowable acquisition cost of such asset to the owner of record as of July 18, 1984 (or, in the case of an asset not in existence as of such date, the first owner of record of the asset after such date), or the acquisition cost of such asset to the new owner.

3. APPEALS

The Commissioner may consider requests for rate revisions which are based on errors in the calculation of the rate or [in the data submitted by the facility or] based on significant changes in [operating] costs resulting from changes in: [service, programs, or shall

- <u>Capital projects approved by the Commissioner in connection with OMH's [certificate of need] PAR procedures.</u>
- OMH approved changes in staffing plans submitted to DOH in a form as determined by the DOH.
- OMH approved changes in capacity approved by the Commissioner in connect with OMH's PAR procedures;
- Other rate revisions may be based on [additional staffing] require[d]ments to meet accreditation standards of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, or other Federal or State mandated requirements resulting in increased costs.

Revised rates <u>will utilize existing facility cost reports</u>, adjusted as necessary. The rates of payment will be subject to total allowable costs, total allowable days, staffing standards as approved by the Commissioner, and a limitation on operating expenses as <u>determined by the Commissioner</u>. These rates must be certified by the Commissioners of <u>OMH and DOH</u> and approved by the Director of the Budget.

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New York 4(a)

4. <u>NEW RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES WITH INADEQUATE COST EXPERIENCE</u>

Rates of payment for a <u>new</u> residential treatment facility with inadequate cost experience [shall] <u>will</u> be determined on the basis of satisfactory cost projections as submitted to the Commissioner. The rate of payment [shall] <u>will</u> [take into consideration] <u>be subject to</u> total allowable costs, total allowable days, [and shall be subject to] staffing standards as approved by the Commissioner, and a limitation on operating expenses as determined by the Commissioner.

Financial reports, reflecting actual cost and statistical information, in a form prescribed by the Commissioner, [shall] will be required within one hundred twenty days following the first six month period during which the Residential Treatment Facility has operated at an average utilization of at least ninety percent or one year after the first resident was admitted to the Residential Treatment Facility, whichever event occurs earlier. The Commissioner may, at his discretion, utilize this cost report to adjust the RTF's budget-based rate of payment to more accurately reflect the costs of operating the facility. In any event, the Commissioner will calculate a cost-based rate for the facility no later than two years after the facility has opened.

5. DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE ADJUSTMENT

<u>Due to State's reliance on Section 1923(e) of the Social Security Act, the reimbursement methodology for residential treatment centers for children and youth does not include a disproportionate share adjustment.</u>

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[year after the first resident was admitted to the Residential Treatment Facility, whichever event occurs earlier. The Commissioner may, at his discretion, utilize this cost report to adjust the RTF's budget-based rate of payment to more accurately reflect the costs of operating the facility. In any event, the Commissioner will calculate a cost-based rate for the facility no later than two years after the facility has opened, unless the Commissioner determines that the facility has not achieved the status of a stable, ongoing operation with reliable cost information, in which case the budget based rate will be continued, adjusted as necessary, for updated budget projections as appropriate.

5. REDUCED PAYMENT FOR INAPPROPRIATE LEVEL OF CARE

Effective twelve months after the date the RTF submits financial reports reflecting actual operating costs or two years after the RTF begins operating, whichever is earlier, if it is determined by a utilization review committee that a Medical recipient no longer requires inpatient psychiatric hospital services but must remain in the RTF because a medically necessary long term care bed is not available in the community, and it is determined by the Commissioner that there is a significant excess of operational beds at the RTF or in the RTFs located in the OMH region in which the RTF is located, the RTF will be reimbursed at a rate equal to the average Medicaid skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility rate within the State, as appropriate, at the time such services are furnished. For purposes of this paragraph, a significant excess of operational beds exists if the occupancy rate for the RTF for the most recently reported twelve month period is less than 80 percent in the case of RTFs with certified bed capacities greater than 20 beds or 60 percent in the case of RTFs with certified bed capacities of 20 beds or less, as stated on the operating certificate issued by the Office of Mental Health. A significant excess of operational bed exists in an OMH region if the overall occupancy rate for RTFs in the region is less than the weighted average of 80 percent for RTFs in the region with certified bed capacities greater than 20 beds and 60 percent for RTFs in the region with certified bed capacities of 20 beds or less. The occupancy rate shall be determined without including alternate care days. The determination of average occupancy rate for RTFs in the region is applied to each of the five geographical OMH regions and is based on RTFs which are subject to the provisions of this section and which are located within the same OMH Region.

Alternate care determinations must be reported to the Office of Mental Health on such forms and in such manner as shall be prescribed by OMH. OMH will notify providers of procedures for collecting and reporting data prior to the effective date of the reduced payment provision.]

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 $\underline{\text{RESERVED}}$ [Due to State's reliance on Section 1923(e) of the Social Security Act, the reimbursement methodology for residential treatment centers for children and youth does not include a disproportionate share adjustment.]



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[A "disproportionate share hospital" for purposes of receiving additional disproportionate share payments under this provision is any hospital which furnishes medical or remedial care to a qualified low-income person without expectation of payment from the person due to the patient's inability to pay as documented by his or her having met the income and resource standards for Home Relief benefits as set forth above. In addition, a "disproportionate share hospital" (except hospitals serving an in-patient population predominantly composed of persons under 18 years of age and hospitals which did not offer non-emergency obstetrical care on or before December 21, 1987) must have at least two obstetricians with staff privileges who have agreed to provide obstetrical care and services to Medicaid-eligible patients on a non-emergency basis.

The amount of this disproportionate share adjustment will vary by hospital and reflect the dollar amount of payments from the State to the hospital for services provided to low income patients. For each hospital such adjustments shall be paid in the normal Medicaid payment process and according to established rates or fees. To receive payment of this adjustment each hospital must submit a claim in the form and manner specified by this Department.

For purposes of calculating disproportionate share (DSH) distributions pursuant to this section, if the hospital receiving the distribution is a public hospital (operated by the State, a city, county or other municipal subdivision), then the payments determined hereunder are further limited. Unless the hospital qualifies as a "high DSH" facility (as defined below), payments made during a distribution period shall not exceed the cost incurred by the hospital for furnishing hospital services to Medicaid recipients less non-DSH reimbursement and to uninsured patients less patient payments. In the case of a hospital defined as "high-DSH", payments made during a distribution period shall be limited to 200 percent of the amount described in the previous sentence. To be considered a "high-DSH' facility, a hospital must have a Medicaid inpatient utilization rate of at least one standard deviation above the mean Medicaid inpatient utilization rate for hospitals receiving Medicaid payments in the State, or have the largest number of Medicaid inpatient days of any hospital in the State in the previous distribution period. Previous years' data for both uninsured and Medicaid cost and payments shall be used to estimate the limitation. A cost determination of both the uninsured and the Medicaid inpatient costs shall be made upon receipt of an appropriate report.]

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES/HEARINGS

Notice of Abandoned Property Received by the State Comptroller

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1-800-221-9311 or visit our web site at: www.osc.state.ny.us

Claims for abandoned property must be filed with the New York State Comptroller's Office of Unclaimed Funds as provided in Section 1406 of the Abandoned Property Law. For further information contact: Office of the State Comptroller, Office of Unclaimed Funds, 110 State St., Albany, NY 12236.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for institutional services. The following changes are proposed:

Institutional Services

Effective on or after July 1, 2020 this provision proposes to revise Residential Treatment Facility (RTF) language to clarify (1) reimbursement methodologies, particularly with regards to facilities who experience changes in capacity, open a new RTF; and (2) methods for smooth transition of services or closure of facilities.

There is no additional estimated annual change to gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of this proposed amendment.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

For the New York City district, copies will be available at the following places:

New York County 250 Church Street New York, New York 10018

Queens County, Queens Center 3220 Northern Boulevard Long Island City, New York 11101

Kings County, Fulton Center 114 Willoughby Street Brooklyn, New York 11201

Bronx County, Tremont Center 1916 Monterey Avenue Bronx, New York 10457

Richmond County, Richmond Center 95 Central Avenue, St. George Staten Island, New York 10301

For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432, Albany, New York 12210, e-mail: spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to comply with Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2018. The following changes are proposed: Non-Institutional Services

Effective on or after July 1, 2020, this proposes to clarify existing State Plan language related to targeted Medicaid support for personal care in rural areas of the State.

There is no additional estimated annual change to gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of this proposed amendment.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

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For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432, Albany, NY 12210, e-mail: spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to comply with enacted statutory provisions. The following changes are proposed:

Non-Institutional Services

Effective on or after July 1, 2020 in accordance with Sections 368-d and 368-e of the Social Services Law, the Department of Health proposes to request federal CMS approval to extend utilization of certified public expenditures (CPEs) reimbursement methodology for School Supportive Health Services through June 30, 2023.

There is no additional estimated annual change to gross Medicaid expenditures as a result of the proposed amendment.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

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For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432, Albany, NY 12210, e-mail: spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0007

Date of Issuance – June 24, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program. The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection on the New York State Department of State's website at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0007.pdf

In F-2020-0007, or the "West Meadow Creek Shoreline Stabilization Project", the applicants – Chuni-Lal Ruder and Usha C. Ruder – propose to replace a failed living shoreline with a hybrid living shoreline incorporating a stone revetment toe with maritime plantings above Spring High Water. In addition, the applicants propose to repair/replacement in kind and in place of the existing timber stairs and footings to restore beach access. The purpose is to reduce severe bank erosion and restore native plantings in and adjacent to the coastal zone along West Meadow Creek Proposed repair replacement in kind and in place of damaged timber stairs and footings to restore beach access.

The project is located at 24 Night Heron Drive in the Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County on West Meadow Creek.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, July 9, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to Department of State, Planning, Development and Community Infrastructure, Consistency Review Unit, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0158

Date of Issuance – June 24, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activities comply with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCMP). The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

In F-2020-0158 the applicant, Shannon Harris, is proposing to remove an existing 210-foot long seawall and replace it with a precast concrete block seawall that is approximately 208 linear feet, 1.5-3' taller than the existing, and is placed a maximum of 10' in front of the existing. This new seawall will have tie backs, geogrid, and earthwork to secure it. This project is located at the 123 River Road, Town of Esopus, Ulster County, Hudson River.

The applicant's consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0158.pdf

The proposed activity would be located within or has the potential to affect the following Special Management or Regulated Area(s):

- Town of Esopus Local Waterfront Revitalization Program: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/lwrp.html
- Estates District Scenic Area of Statewide Significance: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/HudsonSASS/Hudson%20River%20Valley%20SASS.pdf

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice or July 24, 2020.

SUMMARY SPA #20-0066

This State Plan Amendment proposes to remove the annual visit limit cap and replace with authorization based on medical necessity for outpatient physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy.



9. Services will be provided in accordance with the utilization threshold requirements described in departmental regulations which are based on medical necessity and identified for providers in the MMIS Clinic Provider Manual. Such threshold requirements are applicable to specific provider service types including adult day health services, medical clinics, dental clinics and mental health clinics certified under Article 28 of the Public Health Law and/or Article 31 of the Mental Hygiene Law. The requirements mandate that providers obtain prior authorization based on medical necessity for the provision of services in excess of prescribed utilization thresholds per recipients per benefit year, unless the services provided were urgent or emergent in nature, or otherwise excluded.

Physical Therapy Services

11a. Effective on or after [July 1, 2018] October 1, 2020, [services are limited to coverage of forty visits per year] services will be provided in accordance with the utilization threshold requirements described in departmental requiations which are based on medical necessity and identified for providers in the MMIS Clinic Provider Manual; however, this limitation does not apply to enrollees who are less than 21 years of age, to individuals with traumatic brain injury, to persons with developmental disabilities, or to Medicare/Medicaid dually eligible recipients when that service is covered by Medicare. The benefit limit does not apply to inpatient hospital settings, services provided by a certified home health agency, or to nursing home inpatients receiving therapy in skilled nursing facilities in which they reside. The benefit limit is not subject to review or exception.

Occupational Therapy Services

11b. Effective on or after October 1, [2011] 2020, [services are limited to coverage of twenty visits per year] services will be provided in accordance with the utilization threshold requirements described in departmental regulations which are based on medical necessity and identified for providers in the MMIS Clinic Provider Manual; however, this limitation does not apply to enrollees who are less than 21 years of age, to individuals with traumatic brain injury, to persons with developmental disabilities, or to Medicare/Medicaid dually eligible recipients when that service is covered by Medicare. The benefit limit does not apply to inpatient hospital settings, services provided by a certified home health agency, or to nursing home inpatients receiving therapy in skilled nursing facilities in which they reside. The benefit limit is not subject to review or exception.

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Speech-Language Therapy Services

- 11c. Effective on or after October 1, [2011] 2020, services [are limited to coverage of twenty visits per year] will be provided in accordance with the utilization threshold requirements described in departmental regulations which are based on medical necessity and identified for providers in the MMIS Clinic Provider Manual; however, this limitation does not apply to enrollees who are less than 21 years of age, to individuals with traumatic brain injury, to persons with developmental disabilities. Or to Medicare/Medicaid dually eligible recipients when that service is covered by Medicare. The benefit limit does not apply to inpatient hospital settings, services provided by a certified home health agency. or to nursing home inpatients receiving therapy in skilled nursing facilities in which theyreside. The benefit limit is not subject to review or exception.
- 12a. Services will be provided in accordance with the utilization threshold requirements described in departmental regulations which are based on medical necessity and identified for providers in the MMIS Pharmacy Provider Manual. Such threshold requirements are applicable to specific provider service types including pharmacy for prescription items and their refills, over the counter medications, and medical/surgical supplies dispensed by a community or outpatient pharmacy. The requirements mandate that providers obtain prior authorization for the provision of services based on medical necessity in excess of prescribed utilization thresholds per recipient per benefit year, unless the services provided were urgent or emergent in nature, or otherwise excluded.

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9. Services will be provided in accordance with the utilization threshold requirements described in departmental regulations which are based on medical necessity and identified for providers in the MMIS Clinic Provider Manual. Such threshold requirements are applicable to specific provider service types including adult day health services, medical clinics, dental clinics and mental health clinics certified under Article 28 of the Public Health Law and/or Article 31 of the Mental Hygiene Law. The requirements mandate that providers obtain prior authorization based on medical necessity for the provision of services in excess of prescribed utilization thresholds per recipients per benefit year, unless the services provided were urgent or emergent in nature, or otherwise excluded.

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Occupational Therapy Services

11b. Effective on or after October 1, [2011] 2020, [services are limited to coverage of twenty visits per year] services will be provided in accordance with the utilization threshold requirements described in departmental regulations which are based on medical necessity and identified for providers in the MMIS Clinic Provider Manual; however, this limitation does not apply to enrollees who are less than 21 years of age, to individuals with traumatic brain injury, to persons with developmental disabilities, or to Medicare/Medicaid dually eligible recipients when that service is covered by Medicare. The benefit limit does not apply to inpatient hospital settings, services provided by a certified home health agency, or to nursing home inpatients receiving therapy in skilled nursing facilities in which they reside. The benefit limit is not subject to review or exception.

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Speech-Language Therapy Services

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Civil Service

PURSUANT to the Open Meetings Law, the New York State Civil Service Commission hereby gives public notice of the following:

Please take notice that the regular monthly meeting of the State Civil Service Commission for September 2020 will be conducted on September 16 and September 17 commencing at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will be conducted at NYS Media Services Center, Suite 146, South Concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY with live coverage available at https://www.cs.ny.gov/commission/.

For further information, contact: Office of Commission Operations, Department of Civil Service, Empire State Plaza, Agency Bldg. One, Albany, NY 12239 (518) 473-6598

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Health

Pursuant to 42 CFR Section 447.205, the Department of Health hereby gives public notice of the following:

The Department of Health proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to comply with enacted statutory provisions. The following changes are proposed:

Non-Institutional Services

Effective on and after October 1, 2020, Medicaid will remove the annual physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy visit caps and replace with authorization based on medical necessity. Revision of the physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech annual cap will provide members an opportunity to obtain additional rehabilitation therapy as a pathway to nonpharmacologic treatment alternative for pain management.

The estimated annual net aggregate increase in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2020-2021 is \$1.1 million.

The public is invited to review and comment on this proposed State

Plan Amendment, a copy of which will be available for public review on the Department's website at http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status. Individuals without Internet access may view the State Plan Amendments at any local (county) social services district.

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Richmond County, Richmond Center 95 Central Avenue, St. George Staten Island, New York 10301

For further information and to review and comment, please contact: Department of Health, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, 99 Washington Ave., One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1432, Albany, NY 12210, spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0234

Date of Issuance - September 2, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program. The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection on the New York State Department of State's website at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0234.pdf

In F-2020-0234, or the "East Federal Pier Containment Wall Project", the applicant – The Town of Newfane – proposes to remove existing gabions on the north side of the East Federal Pier. The applicant also proposes to construct a 3' high by 10' wide by 350' long concrete wall. The existing concrete will be drilled and prepared for the new concrete wall to attach. The location of the proposed concrete wall will be on top of the East Federal Pier from the northern most end, extending 350 feet south.

The purpose of this project is to "prevent flooding of the east side of Olcott Beach, NY and to protect the Hedley Boat Co. from incurring any additional damage due to the persistent high water levels on Lake Ontario". The project is located adjacent to 18 Mile Creek in the Town of Newfane, Niagara County.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, September 17, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Planning, Development and Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0264

Date of Issuance – September 2, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program. The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection on the New York State Department of State's website at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0264.pdf

In F-2020-0264, or the "Oakley Residence Dock Reconfiguration", the applicants – Daniel and Eileen Oakley – propose to replace/reconfigure the existing dock with a 4' x '12.5' hinged ramp and a 6' x 20' float secured by two (2) 8" diameter pilings, relocation of existing 5.3' x 14.5' wood walk landward of bulkhead, and installation of water and electric at dock.

The purpose of this project is to "replace/reconfigure existing floating dock, pilings and ramp for improved docking and maneuverability". The project is located at 3310 Little Neck Road in the Town of Southold, Suffolk County on Eugene's Creek.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, September 17, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Planning, Development and Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0268

Date of Issuance – September 2, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program. The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection on the New York State Department of State's website at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0268.pdf

In F-2020-0268, or the "58 Tuthill Drive SI, LLC Dock Construction", the applicant – 58 Tuthill Drive SI, LLC – proposes to construct a new 5' wide by 110' long dock with open-grate decking, install one ladder and two 10" diameter mooring pilings. Applicant also proposes to construct a 3' wide cross-over stairs and repair the existing 6' wide by 20' long offshore platform as needed.

The purpose of this project is to "provide access to navigable water and the existing offshore platform". The project is located at 58 Tuthill Drive in the Town of Shelter Island, Suffolk County on Coecles Harbor.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, September 17, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Planning, Development and Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of State F-2020-0355

Date of Issuance - Sept 2, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activities comply with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCMP). The applicant's consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

In F-2020-0355, William Heitzenrater—is seeking After-The-Fact authorization for the replacement of three open-pile finger docks at 7813-7815 Buffalo Ave. The docks installed are three feet wide by 32 feet in length. The previous docks were approx. 27 feet in length. In addition, the applicant is seeking After-The-Fact authorization for 16-foot wide by 40-foot long deck installed along the shoreline at 7823 Buffalo Ave. New pilings were installed to support all structures 7815/7823 Buffalo Avenue, Niagara Falls, NY,14304 in Niagara County on the Niagara River.

The applicant's consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0355ConsCertApplication.pdf

The proposed activity would be located within or has the potential to affect the following Special Management or Regulated Area(s):

• New York City Local Waterfront Revitalization Program: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/WFRevitalization/LWRP_status.html:

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice or October 2, 2020.

Comments should be addressed to: Department of State, Office of Planning and Development and Community Infrastructure, Consistency Review Unit, One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1010, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

SUMMARY SPA #20-0067

This State Plan Amendment proposes to provide supplemental payments to approved Public Emergency Medical Transportation (PEMT) entities that meet specified requirements and provide emergency medical transportation services to Medicaid beneficiaries.



<u>Supplemental Payment for Publicly Owned or Operated</u> <u>Emergency Medical Transportation Providers</u>

This program will provide supplemental payments to approved Public Emergency Medical Transportation (PEMT) entities that meet specified requirements and provide emergency medical transportation services to Medicaid beneficiaries. Participation in this program by any PEMT provider is voluntary.

Supplemental payments provided by this program are available only for allowable costs that are in excess of other Medicaid revenue that the approved PEMT entities receive for emergency medical transportation services to Medicaid approved recipients. Approved PEMT entities must provide two certifications to the New York State Department of Health (NYS DOH): (a) a certification for the total expenditure of funds, and (b) a certification of federal financial participation (FFP) eligibility for the amount claimed.

Approved PEMT entities must submit cost reports for the previous cost and claiming period. For example, cost reports with data covering SFY 2020-21 must be submitted by September 30, 2021.

Costs will be identified using the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approved cost report. Absent the availability of a CMS approved cost report, costs will be identified and reported in such form as required by NYS DOH. NYS DOH will review all cost report submissions. Payments will not be disbursed as increases to current reimbursement rates for specific services.

Costs covered will include the following applicable Medicaid emergency services: Basic Life Support Ambulance Service, and Advanced Life Support Ambulance Service. All services must be provided by NYS DOH-certified and publicly owned or operated ambulance services.

This supplemental payment program will be in effect beginning October 1, 2020.

A. Definitions

- 1. "Direct costs" means all costs that can be identified specifically with a particular final cost objective in order to meet medical transportation mandates.
- 2. "Indirect costs" means costs for a common or joint purpose benefitting more than one cost objective that are allocated to each benefiting objective using NYS DOH approved indirect rate or an allocation methodology. Indirect costs rate or allocation methodology must comply with OMB Circular A-87 and CMS non-institutional reimbursement policy.
- 3. "PEMT entity" is determined to be approved if it is a NYS DOH-certified ambulance service that is owned or operated by state, county, city, town, or village government.

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- 4. "PEMT services" means both the act of transporting an individual from any point of origin to the medical site capable of meeting the emergency medical needs of the patient, as well as emergency medical treatment provided to an individual by PEMT providers before or during the act of transportation.
 - a. "Advanced life support" means the assessment or treatment through the use of techniques described in the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)-Paramedic:
 National Standard Curriculum or the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
 Education Standards, provided by an advanced EMT, EMT-critical care, or EMT-paramedic. These are special services designed to provide definitive prehospital emergency medical care, including but not limited to, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, cardiac monitoring, manual cardiac defibrillation, advanced airway management, intravenous therapy, administration with drugs and other medicinal preparations, and other specified techniques and procedures.
 - b. "Basic life support" means the assessment or treatment through the use of techniques described in the EMT-Basic National Standard Curriculum or the National EMS Education Standards. It includes emergency first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation procedures to maintain life without invasive techniques.
- B. "Shared direct costs" are direct costs that can be allocated to two or more departmental functions on the basis of shared benefits.

Supplemental Payment Methodology

Supplemental payments provided by this program to an approved PEMT entity will consist of FFP for Medicaid uncompensated emergency medical transportation costs based on the difference between the prevailing Medicaid reimbursement amount and the providers actual and allowable costs for providing PEMT services to approved Medicaid beneficiaries. The supplemental payment methodology is as follows:

- 1. The expenditures certified by the approved PEMT entity to NYS DOH will represent the payment approved for FFP. Allowable certified public expenditures will determine the amount of FFP claimed.
- 2. In no instance will the amount certified pursuant to Paragraph D.1, when combined with the amount received for emergency medical transportation services pursuant to any other provision of this State Plan or any Medicaid waiver granted by CMS, exceed 100 percent of the allowable costs for such emergency medical transportation services.
- 3. Pursuant to Paragraph D.1, the approved PEMT entity will annually certify to NYS DOH the total costs for providing PEMT services for Medicaid beneficiaries, offset by the received Medicaid payments for the same cost and claiming period. The supplemental Medicaid reimbursement received pursuant to this segment of the State Plan will be distributed in one annual lump-sum payment after submission of such annual certification.

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- 4. For the subject year, the emergency medical transportation service costs that are certified pursuant to Paragraph D.1 will be computed in a manner consistent with Medicaid cost principles regarding allowable costs and will only include costs that satisfy applicable Medicaid requirement.
- <u>5.</u> Computation of allowable costs and their allocation methodology must be determined in accordance with the CMS Provider Reimbursement Manual (CMS Pub. 15-1)

https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/Paper-Based-Manuals-Items/CMS021929

CMS non-institutional reimbursement policies, and OMB Circular A-87, codified at: 2 CFR Part 225,

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2012-title2-vol1/pdf/CFR-2012-title2-vol1-part225.pdf

which establish principles and standards for determining allowable costs and the methodology for allocating and apportioning those expenses to the Medicaid program, except as expressly modified below.

- 6. Medicaid base payments to the PEMT providers for providing PEMT services are derived from the fees established for each county, for reimbursements payable by the Medicaid program.
- 7. For each approved PEMT provider in this supplemental program, the total uncompensated care costs available for reimbursement will be no greater than the shortfall resulting from the allowable costs calculated using the Cost Determination Protocols (Section C). Each approved PEMT provider must provide PEMT services to Medicaid beneficiaries in excess of payments made from the Medicaid program and all other sources of reimbursement for such PEMT services provided to Medicaid beneficiaries. Approved PEMT providers that do not have any such uncompensated care costs will not receive a supplemental payment under this supplemental reimbursement program.

C. Cost Determination Protocols

1. An approved PEMT provider's specific allowable cost per-medical transport rate will be calculated based on the provider's audited financial data reported on the CMS-approved cost report.

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/AmbulanceFeeSchedule/Ground-Ambulance-Services-Data-Collection-System

The per-medical transport cost rate will be the sum of actual allowable direct and indirect costs of providing medical transport services divided by the actual number of medical transports provided for the applicable service period.

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- a. Direct costs for providing medical transport services include only the unallocated payroll costs and fringe benefits for the shifts in which personnel dedicate 100 percent of their time to providing medical transport services, medical equipment and supplies, and other costs directly related to the delivery of covered services, such as first-line supervision, materials and supplies, professional and contracted services, capital outlay, travel, and training. These costs must be in compliance with Medicaid non-institutional reimbursement policy and are directly attributable to the provision of the medical transport services.
- b. Shared direct costs for emergency medical transport services, as defined by Paragraph A.5., must be allocated for salaries and benefits and capital outlay. The salaries and benefits will be allocated based on the percentage of total hours logged performing EMT activities versus other activities. The capital related costs will be allocated based on the percentage of total square footage.
- c. Indirect costs are determined by applying the cognizant agency specific approved indirect cost rate to its total direct costs (Paragraph A.1.) or derived from provider's approved cost allocation plan. For approved PEMT providers that do not have a cognizant agency approved indirect cost rate or approved cost allocation plan, the costs and related basis used to determine the allocated indirect costs must be in compliance with OMB Circular A-87.

Medicare Cost Principle (42 CFR 413)

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2010-title42-vol2/pdf/CFR-2010-title42-vol2-part413 pdf

and Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual Part 1

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and Medicare Provider Reimbursement Manual Part 2

https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/Paper-Based-Manuals-Items/CMS021935

and Medicaid non-institutional reimbursement policy.

d. The PEMT provider specific per-medical transport cost rate is calculated by dividing the total net medical transport allowable costs (Paragraphs A.1. and A.2.) of the specific provider by the total number of medical transports as reported in the transportation daily logs provided by the PEMT provider for the applicable service period.

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- 2. Medicaid's portion of the total allowable cost for providing PEMT services by each approved PEMT provider is calculated by multiplying the total number of Medicaid FFS PEMT transports provided by the PEMT provider's specific per-medical transport cost rate (Paragraph C.1.d.) for the applicable service period.
- D. Responsibilities and Reporting Requirements of the Approved PEMT Entity

An approved PEMT entity must:

- 1. Certify that the claimed expenditures for emergency medical transportation services made by the approved PEMT entity are approved for FFP;
- 2. Provide evidence supporting the certification as specified by NYS DOH;
- 3. Submit data as specified by NYS DOH to determine the appropriate amounts to claim as qualifying expenditures for FFP through the CMS approved cost report and cost identification methodology; and
- 4. Keep, maintain, and have readily retrievable any records required by NYS DOH or CMS.

E.NYS DOH's Responsibilities

- <u>a.</u> NYS DOH will submit claims for FFP for the expenditures for services that are <u>allowable expenditures under federal law.</u>
- b. NYS DOH will, on an annual basis, submit to the federal government CMS approved cost report in order to provide assurances that FFP will include only those expenditures that are allowable under federal law.
- F. Interim Supplemental Payment
 - 1. NYS DOH will make annual interim Medicaid supplemental payments to approved PEMT providers. The interim supplemental payments for each provider are based on the provider's completed annual cost report in the format prescribed by NYS DOH and approved by CMS for the applicable cost reporting year. NYS DOH may make adjustments to the as-filed cost report based on the results of the most recently retrieved NY MMIS report.
 - Each approved PEMT provider must compute the annual cost in accordance with the Cost Determination Protocols (Section C.) and must submit the completed annual as-filed cost report to NYS DOH no later than five months after the close of the cost and daiming period.
 - 3. The interim supplemental payment is calculated by subtracting the total Medicaid base payments (Paragraph B.6.) and other payments, such as Medicaid co- payments, received by the providers for PEMT services to Medicaid beneficiaries from the Medicaid portion of the total PEMT allowable costs (Paragraph C.2.) reported in the as-filed cost report or the as-filed cost report or the as-filed cost report adjusted by NYS DOH (Paragraph F.1.).

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4. Cost reports may be utilized from periods immediately prior to the effective date of this state plan in order to set a supplemental payment amount for the first year of this program.

A. Final Reconciliation

- 1. Providers must submit auditable documentation to NYS DOH within two years following the end of the state fiscal year in which payments have been received. NYS DOH will perform a final reconciliation where it will settle the provider's annual cost report as audited, three years following the State fiscal year end. NYS DOH will compute the net Medicaid PEMT allowable cost using audited per-medical transport cost, and the number of Medicaid FFS PEMT transports data from the updated NY MMIS reports. Actual net Medicaid allowable cost will be compared to the total base and interim supplemental payments and settlement payments made, and any other source of reimbursement received by the provider for the period.
- 2. If at the end of the final reconciliation it is determined that the PEMT provider has been overpaid, the provider will return the overpayment to NYS DOH, and NYS DOH will return the overpayment to the federal government pursuant to 42 CFR 433.316

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2012-title42-vol4/pdf/CFR-2012-title42-vol4-sec433-316.pdf

If at the end of the final reconciliation it is determined that the PEMT provider has been underpaid, the PEMT provider will receive a final supplemental payment in the amount of the underpayment.

3. All cost report information for which Medicaid payments are calculated and reconciled are subject to CMS review and must be furnished upon request.

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• Eliminating Prescriber Prevails which applies to the Medicaid fee-for-service pharmacy program and to selected drug classes for managed care plans. Doing so would reduce inappropriate prescribing, remove barriers that limit the State's ability to manage pharmacy programs, and minimize the inappropriate influence of pharmaceutical manufacturers in the prior authorization process.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020/2021 is \$142 million and for SFY 2021/2022 is \$428 million.

Transportation

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

- Transition the State to a single Medicaid Transportation Broker to ensure that consumers receive reliable, high quality transportation services using the mode that is appropriate for the consumer.
- Discontinue the Supplemental Ambulance Rebate Payments to emergency medical transportation (EMT) providers since updating and rationalized the ambulance fee schedule consistent with the Department of Health's Ambulance Rate Adequacy Study.
- Carve transportation out of the MLTC Benefit (excluding PACE) and into fee-for-service to create efficiencies and consistency in purchasing, arranging and managing transportation services across the Medicaid program.
- Maximize Public Transit in New York City and other urban areas to encourage the use of public transportation as an alternative to livery when appropriate for the consumer.
- Reduce Taxi/Livery Rates and promoting other modes of transportation to reflect market rates for transportation services.
- Implement an ambulance diversion Triage, Treat and Transport (ET3) support program to reduce avoidable hospitalizations, subject to any necessary federal approvals.
- Pursue a Certified Public Expenditure program to maximize federal reimbursement for NEMT services incurred by municipalities.
- Create a Community Paramedicine Program to expand the roles of Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Paramedics by providing medical care to patients at home to avoid unnecessary trips to the Emergency Department (ED). EMTs and Paramedics would provide additional patient health and safety services (e.g., food, medications, fall precautions) and clinical assessment and diagnostic testing in consultation with online medical control/telemedicine physicians/advanced practitioners to avoid unnecessary trips to the hospital.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020-2021 is \$188 million and for SFY 2021-2022 is \$488 million.

Telehealth

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

• Expand Utilization of Telehealth services and reimbursement models, specifically to address behavioral health, oral health, maternity care and other high-need populations. The proposal contemplates a state-wide, hosted telehealth platform to help mitigate interoperability barriers, as well as to enhance broadband to ensure telehealth connectivity in rural areas.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020-2021 is \$15 million and for SFY 2021-2022 is \$25.4 million.

Institutional Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

- Reduce the size of the voluntary hospital Indigent Care Pool by \$75 million (State share);
- Eliminate the Indigent Care Pool "Transition Collar", which generates an additional \$12.5 million in State share savings; and
- Eliminate the Public Hospitals Indigent Care Pool, which generates \$70 million in State savings;

- Convert the value of Upper Payment Limit (UPL) payments received by public hospitals in a city with a population over a million into Medicaid reimbursement rates;
- $\bullet~$ Reduce hospital inpatient capital rate add-on by 5 percent and capital reconciliation payments by 10 percent.

The estimated annual net aggregate decrease in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to these initiatives contained in the budget for SFY 2020-2021 is \$728 million and for SFY 2021-2022 is \$743 million.

Long Term Care Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2020 and SFY thereafter, these proposals would:

- Modify the current eligibility criteria for individuals to receive Personal Care Services and Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services (CDPAS) as a Medicaid benefit, regardless of whether such services are received through fee-for-service, Mainstream Managed Care plans, or Managed Long Term Care (MLTC) plans. In order to be eligible to receive such services, an individual must be assessed to need assistance with more than two activities of daily living (ADLs) (ranging from limited assistance to total dependence).
- Institute a Home and Community Based Services lookback period of 60 months for asset transfers in determining eligibility for Medicaid for those seeking home and community based long term care services and supports as currently applies to those seeking Medicaid eligibility for nursing home care.
- Eliminate the ability of spouses living together in the community, and parents living with their child, to refuse to make their income and resources available during the determination of an applicant's eligibility for Medicaid.
- Utilize an independent clinician panel, similar to the State's Conflict Free Evaluation and Enrollment Center, to assess patients and order PCS and CDPAS under a clear set of standards and protocols.
- Implement an enhanced utilization review process by an independent assessor for any individuals who are assessed to need more than 12 hours per day on average in a given month (i.e., 360 hours per month for a 30-day month) to ensure that it remains safe for that individual to remain in the community.
- Change the frequency in which the Community Health Assessment is conducted from every six months to once annually, subject to requiring reassessments based on changes in health condition or status.
- Implement a uniform tasking tool for use by plans and Local Departments of Social Services (LDSS) to help determine service utilization, including the hours of Personal Care Services and CDPAS required each day.
- Employ the provider "choice" model to proceed with the implementation and electronic visit verification (EVV) system, as required by the Federal 21st Century Cures Act.
- Eliminate requirements that plans and LDSS educate consumers about the availability of the CDPAP program semi-annually Develop standards and protocols to determine whether consumers are self-directing and, if applicable, their designated representative is able to fulfill their obligations appropriately.
- Delay the implementation date of certain permissible Consumer First Choice Option Services (CFCO) services from January 1, 2020 to April 1, 2022.
- Incorporate additional transparency, compliance, and accountability standards to ensure that entities receiving wage parity payments are appropriately using those funds for the benefit home care aides.
- Reduce Workforce Recruitment and Retention funding for home health care workers.
- Migrate the completion of all Community Health Assessments (CHA) and reassessments to a single, statewide Independent Assessor (IA).
- Modify the minimum community spouse resource amount, which is used to determine the Medicaid eligibility of an applicant under spousal impoverishment budgeting.
 - · Reduce funding associated with nursing home capital reim-