



## Department of Health

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June 30, 2020

Ms. Nicole McKnight  
Acting Associate Regional Administrator  
Department of Health & Human Services  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
New York Regional Office  
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations  
26 Federal Plaza - Room 37-100 North  
New York, New York 10278

RE: SPA #20-0024  
Non-Institutional Services

Dear Ms. McKnight:

The State requests approval of the enclosed amendment #20-0024 to the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for non-institutional services to be effective April 1, 2020 (Appendix I). This amendment is being submitted based on enacted legislation. A summary of the plan amendment is provided in Appendix II.

The State of New York reimburses these services through the use of rates that are consistent with and promote efficiency, economy, and quality of care and are sufficient to enlist enough providers so that care and services are available under the plan at least to the extent that such care and services are available to the general population in the geographic area as required by §1902(a)(30) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR §447.204.

A copy of pertinent sections of enacted legislation is enclosed for your information (Appendix III). A copy of the public notice of this plan amendment, which was given in the New York State Register on March 25, 2020, is also enclosed for your information (Appendix IV). In addition, responses to the five standard funding questions are also enclosed (Appendix V).

If you have any questions regarding this State Plan Amendment submission, please do not hesitate to contact Regina Deyette, Medicaid State Plan Coordinator, Division of Finance and Rate Setting, Office of Health Insurance Programs at (518) 473-3658.

Sincerely,

Donna Frescatore  
Medicaid Director  
Office of Health Insurance Programs

Enclosures

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER

2. STATE

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (*Check One*)

NEW STATE PLAN

AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN

AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (*Separate transmittal for each amendment*)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT

a. FFY \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b. FFY \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT

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

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (*Check One*)

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED

COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED

NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

16. RETURN TO

13. TYPED NAME

14. TITLE

15. DATE SUBMITTED

June 30, 2020

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17. DATE RECEIVED

18. DATE APPROVED

**PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED**

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL

21. TYPED NAME

22. TITLE

23. REMARKS

**Appendix I**  
**2020 Title XIX State Plan**  
**Second Quarter Amendment**  
**Amended SPA Pages**

**New York  
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**Hospital Outpatient Supplemental Payment Adjustment – Public General Hospitals**

The State will provide a supplemental payment for hospital outpatient and emergency room services provided by eligible public general hospitals. To be eligible, the hospital must (1) be a public general hospital, (2) not be operated by the State of New York or the State University of New York, and (3) be located in a city with a population over one million.

For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2011 and ending March 31, 2012, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$98,610,666. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2012 and ending March 31, 2013, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$107,953,672. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2013 and ending March 31, 2014, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$22,101,480. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2014 and ending March 31, 2015, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$26,898,232. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2015 and ending March 31, 2016, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$161,521,405. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2016 and ending March 31, 2017, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$ 112,980,827. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2017 and ending March 31, 2018, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$111,305,328. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$105,303,666. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2019 and ending March 31, 2020, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$106,131,529. For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 and ending March 31, 2021, the amount of the supplemental payment will be \$106,131,529. Medical assistance payments will be made for outpatient services for patients eligible for federal financial participation under Title XIX of the Federal Social Security Act based on each such hospital's proportionate share of the sum of all Medicaid outpatient visits for all facilities eligible for an adjustment for the base year two years prior to the rate year. Such supplemental payments under this section will be made in a single lump-sum payment.

**TN #20-0024** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approval Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Supersedes TN #19-0021** \_\_\_\_\_

**Effective Date** April 1, 2020 \_\_\_\_\_

**Appendix II**  
**2020 Title XIX State Plan**  
**Second Quarter Amendment**  
**Summary**

**SUMMARY**  
**SPA #20-0024**

This State Plan Amendment proposes to extend supplemental payments made for outpatient hospital services to non-state public hospitals in cities with more than one million persons. These payments reflect specialty adjustments to qualifying hospitals.

**Appendix III**  
**2020 Title XIX State Plan**  
**Second Quarter Amendment**  
**Authorizing Provisions**

Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2015

Part B

§ 21. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, and subject to the availability of federal financial participation pursuant to title XIX of the federal social security act, effective for the period April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012, and state fiscal years thereafter, the department of health is authorized to increase the operating cost component of rates of payment for general hospital outpatient services and general hospital emergency room services issued pursuant to paragraph (g) of subdivision 2 of section 2807 of the public health law for public general hospitals, as defined in subdivision 10 of section 2801 of the public health law, other than those operated by the state of New York or the state university of New York, and located in a city with a population over one million, up to two hundred eighty-seven million dollars annually as medical assistance payments for outpatient services pursuant to title 11 of article 5 of the social services law for patients eligible for federal financial participation under title XIX of the federal social security act based on such criteria and methodologies as the commissioner may from time to time set through a memorandum of understanding with the New York city health and hospitals corporation, and such adjustments shall be paid by means of one or more estimated payments, with such estimated payments to be reconciled to the commissioner of health's final adjustment determinations after the disproportionate share hospital payment adjustment caps have been calculated for such period under sections 1923(f) and (g) of the federal social security act. Such adjustment payment may be added to rates of payment or made as aggregate payments to eligible public general hospitals.



**Appendix IV**  
**2020 Title XIX State Plan**  
**Second Quarter Amendment**  
**Public Notice**

pursuant to section 6056.4(c)(4) or 6056.4(c)(5) of this Title, may apply to the commissioner for leave to substitute satisfactory completion of a course of basic training completed in such other jurisdiction or may apply to the commissioner for leave to substitute satisfactory completion of the pre-employment police basic training program in satisfaction of all or part of the requirements of an approved basic course for peace officers imposed under section 2.30 of the Criminal Procedure Law. The commissioner shall review and evaluate all such applications and may require the applicant to submit such additional documentation as he or she shall deem necessary. If, upon review and evaluation of such application, the commissioner determines that a program of peace officer basic training completed by the applicant in another jurisdiction or the pre-employment police basic training program completed by the application meets or exceeds all or part of the minimum standards prescribed in section 6025.3 of this Part, the commissioner may authorize such training to be substituted for such requirements of the basic course as he or she shall deem appropriate. The commissioner shall certify, in writing, the extent to which all or part of the curriculum of the basic course may be waived and any noted deficiencies must be satisfactorily completed at a basic course approved by the commissioner, within the period of time prescribed in section 6025.7 of this Part. Applicants for equivalency certificates shall be subject to the same limitations and requirements as prescribed in sections 6025.6 and 6025.7 of this Part and section 2.30 of the Criminal Procedure Law.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Division of Criminal Justice Services

I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby adopt and promulgate the following regulations that have been recommended by the Municipal Police Training Council pursuant to the provisions of section eight hundred forty of the Executive Law. This action is taken pursuant to the authority vested in me by section eight hundred forty-two of such law and, as such, it is exempted from the rule making provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that the amendments to Part 6024 of Title 9 of the New York State Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations are hereby adopted and promulgated and shall be effective upon publication in the State Register.

1. Subdivision (d) of Section 6024.1 of Title 9 of NYCRR is renumbered to be subdivision (e). A new subdivision (d) is added to section 6024.1 to read as follows:

*(d) The term federal law enforcement officer shall have the same meaning as set forth in section 2.15 of the Criminal Procedure Law.*

2. Subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 6024.2 of Title 9 of NYCRR are amended to read as follows:

*(b) Have a minimum of three years of police [or], peace officer or federal law enforcement officer experience. The peace officer or federal law enforcement officer experience requirement can only be satisfied by those persons who have carried a firearm in the course of their official duties and have done so for the prescribed period of time.*

*(c) Successfully complete a Municipal Police Training Council approved basic course for police officers or basic course for peace officers, as appropriate [.] or a requisite basic training course prescribed by a federal law enforcement officer employer.*

3. Section 6024.4 of Title 9 of NYCRR is amended to read as follows:

Firearms instructor certification shall be valid from the date of issuance and shall remain valid during the holder's continuous service as a police officer [or], peace officer, or federal law enforcement officer, or while the holder is employed by a sponsoring police officer or peace officer agency, unless revoked by the commissioner.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Division of Criminal Justice Services

I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby adopt and promulgate the following regulations that have been recommended by the Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council pur-

suant to Executive Law § 846-h(1)(c). This action is taken pursuant to the authority vested in me by such law, and, as such, it is exempted from the rule making provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that the amendment to section 6035.1(a) of Title 9 of the New York State Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations is hereby adopted and promulgated, and shall be effective upon publication in the State Register.

Subdivision (a) of section 6035.1 of Title 9 NYCRR is amended to read as follows:

(a) The term law enforcement agency shall mean any law enforcement agency or department of any municipality, any police district, or any agency, department, commission, authority or public benefit corporation of the state of New York employing a police officer or police officers as that term is defined in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (j), (k), (l), (o), (p) [and], (s), and (u) of subdivision thirty-four of section 1.20 of the Criminal Procedure Law. For the purposes of this definition, the term shall not include any entity that employs police officers in a capacity which may require the use of their law enforcement authority but is supplementary to the primary official responsibilities for which they have been hired.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Office of General Services

Pursuant to Section 33 of the Public Lands Law, the Office of General Services hereby gives notice to the following:

Notice is hereby given that the New York State Department of Transportation has determined that:

Address: 3628 NYS Route 281, Town of Cortlandville, Cortland County, N:V 13045 DOT Map 118-D, Parcel 119

a.23 acre+ lot, is surplus and no longer useful or necessary for state program purposes and has abandoned the property to the Commissioner of General Services for sale or other disposition as Unappropriated State land.

*For further information, please contact:* Thomas Pohl, Esq., Office of General Services, Legal Services, 41st Fl., Coming Tower, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12242, (518) 474-8831, (518) 473-4973 fax

## 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, non-institutional and long-term care services to comply with enacted statutory provisions. The following changes are proposed:

#### Non-Institutional Services

Effective for days of service on or after April 1, 2020, The Department of Health will eliminate the limitations on amount and duration of partial hospitalization services. The State Plan Amendment is necessary to comply with the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008.

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

Effective on or after April 1, 2020, continues the supplemental upper payment limit payments made to general hospitals, other than major public general hospitals under non-institutional services of \$339 million annually.

For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, continues hospital outpatient payment adjustments that increase the operating cost components of rates of payment for hospital outpatient and emergency departments on and after April 1, 2011, for public general hospitals other than those operated by the State of New York or the State University of New York, which are located in a city with a population of over one million. The amount to be paid will be up to \$287 million annually based on criteria and methodology set by the Commissioner of Health, which the Commissioner may periodically

cally set through a memorandum of understanding with the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation. Such adjustments shall be paid by means of one or more estimated payments. Payments may be added to rates of payment or made as aggregate payments.

For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, continues upon the election of the social services district in which an eligible diagnostic and treatment center (DTC) is physically located, up to \$12.6 million in additional annual Medicaid payments may be paid to public DTCs operated by the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation. Such payments will be based on each DTC's proportionate share of the sum of all clinic visits for all facilities eligible for an adjustment for the base year two years prior to the rate year. The proportionate share payments may be added to rates of payment or made as aggregate payments to eligible DTCs.

For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, continues up to \$5.4 million in additional annual Medicaid payments may be paid to county operated free-standing clinics, not including facilities operated by the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation, for services provided by such DTC and those provided by a county operated freestanding mental health or substance abuse DTC. Distributions shall be based on each eligible facility's proportionate share of the sum of all DTC and clinic visits for all eligible facilities receiving payments for the base year two years prior to the rate year. The proportionate share payments may be added to rates of payment or made as aggregate payments to eligible facilities.

#### Institutional Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2020, the temporary rate adjustment has been reviewed and approved for the St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center with aggregate payment amounts totaling up to \$4,000,000 for the period April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

Effective on or after April 1, 2020, continues the supplemental upper payment limit payments made to general hospitals, other than major public general hospitals under institutional services of \$339 million annually.

For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, continues adjustments for hospital inpatient services provided on and after April 1, 2012, to public general hospitals, other than those operated by the State of New York or the State University of New York, located in a city with a population of over one million and receiving reimbursement of up to \$1.08 billion annually based on criteria and methodology set by the Commissioner of Health, which the Commissioner may periodically set through a memorandum of understanding with the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation. Such adjustments shall be paid by means of one or more estimated payments. Payments to eligible public general hospitals may be added to rates of payment or made as aggregate payments.

For state fiscal year beginning April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021, supplemental payments will be made to State government owned hospitals. These payments will not exceed the upper payment limit for inpatient services provided by state government-owned hospitals when aggregated with other Medicaid payments.

Effective on or after April 1, 2020, the temporary rate adjustment has been reviewed and approved for Long Island Jewish Medical Center with aggregate payment amounts totaling up to \$1,000,000 for the period April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

#### Long Term Care Services

Effective on or after April 1, 2020, continues additional payments to non-state government operated public residential health care facilities, including public residential health care facilities located in Nassau, Westchester, and Erie Counties, but excluding public residential health care facilities operated by a town or city within a county, in aggregate amounts of up to \$500 million. The amount allocated to each eligible public RHCF will be in accordance with the previously approved methodology, provided, however that patient days shall be utilized for such computation reflecting actual reported data for 2018 and each representative succeeding year as applicable. Payments to eligible RHCF's may be added to rates of payment or made as aggregate payments.

Effective on or after April 1, 2020, the Department of Health

proposes to amend the Title XIX (Medicaid) State Plan for institutional services related to temporary rate adjustments to long term care providers that are undergoing closure, merger, consolidation, acquisition or restructuring themselves or other health care providers. These payments are authorized by current State statutory and regulatory provisions. The temporary rate adjustments will be reviewed and approved by the CINERGY Collaborative.

The estimated net aggregate increase in gross Medicaid expenditures attributable to this initiative contained in the budget for state fiscal year 2020-2021 is \$30 million.

Effective on or after April 1, 2020, the Department of Health (DOH) will continue the nursing home advanced training program, aimed at teaching staff how to detect early changes in a resident's physical and mental or functional status that could lead to hospitalization. Clinical findings show early detection of patient decline by front line workers, coupled with clinical care models aimed at fostering consistent and continuous care between care givers and patients/families result in better care outcomes. Similarly, nursing homes with higher staff retention rates correlate with better care outcomes and avoided hospital stays. This training program will be developed in cooperation between Nursing Home providers and union representatives offering training opportunities for staff or other qualifying training programs.

These programs and their curricula will be submitted to DOH for review. In addition to offering a training program, eligible facilities must have direct care staff retention rates above the state median. However, hospital-based nursing homes and free standing nursing homes already receiving VAP payments would not be eligible to participate.

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 \$46 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](http://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status). In addition, approved SPA's beginning in 2011 are also available for viewing on this website.

Copies of the proposed State Plan Amendments will be on file in each local (county) social services district and available for public review.

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](mailto:spa_inquiries@health.ny.gov)

**Appendix V**  
**2020 Title XIX State Plan**  
**Second Quarter Amendment**  
**Responses to Standard Funding Questions**

**NON-INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES  
State Plan Amendment #20-0024**

**CMS Standard Funding Questions**

The following questions are being asked and should be answered in relation to all payments made to all providers reimbursed pursuant to a methodology described in Attachment 4.19-B of the state plan. For SPAs that provide for changes to payments for clinic or outpatient hospital services or for enhanced or supplemental payments to physician or other practitioners, the questions must be answered for all payments made under the state plan for such service.

- 1. Section 1903(a)(1) provides that Federal matching funds are only available for expenditures made by States for services under the approved State plan. Do providers receive and retain the total Medicaid expenditures claimed by the State (includes normal per diem, supplemental, enhanced payments, other) or is any portion of the payments returned to the State, local governmental entity, or any other intermediary organization? If providers are required to return any portion of payments, please provide a full description of the repayment process. Include in your response a full description of the methodology for the return of any of the payments, a complete listing of providers that return a portion of their payments, the amount or percentage of payments that are returned and the disposition and use of the funds once they are returned to the State (i.e., general fund, medical services account, etc.).**

**Response:** Providers do retain the payments made pursuant to this amendment. However, this requirement in no way prohibits the public provider, including county providers, from reimbursing the sponsoring local government for appropriate expenses incurred by the local government on behalf of the public provider. The State does not regulate the financial relationships that exist between public health care providers and their sponsoring governments, which are extremely varied and complex. Local governments may provide direct and/or indirect monetary subsidies to their public providers to cover on-going unreimbursed operational expenses and assure achievement of their mission as primary safety net providers. Examples of appropriate expenses may include payments to the local government which include reimbursement for debt service paid on a provider's behalf, reimbursement for Medicare Part B premiums paid for a provider's retirees, reimbursement for contractually required health benefit fund payments made on a provider's behalf, and payment for overhead expenses as allocated per federal Office of Management and Budget Circular 2 CFR 200 regarding Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments. The existence of such transfers should in no way negate the legitimacy of these facilities' Medicaid payments or result in reduced Medicaid federal financial participation for the State. This position was further supported by CMS in review and approval of SPA 07-07C when an on-site audit of these transactions for New York City's Health and Hospitals Corporation was completed with satisfactory results.

2. **Section 1902(a)(2) provides that the lack of adequate funds from local sources will not result in lowering the amount, duration, scope, or quality of care and services available under the plan. Please describe how the state share of each type of Medicaid payment (normal per diem, supplemental, enhanced, other) is funded. Please describe whether the state share is from appropriations from the legislature to the Medicaid agency, through intergovernmental transfer agreements (IGTs), certified public expenditures (CPEs), provider taxes, or any other mechanism used by the state to provide state share. Note that, if the appropriation is not to the Medicaid agency, the source of the state share would necessarily be derived through either through an IGT or CPE. In this case, please identify the agency to which the funds are appropriated. Please provide an estimate of total expenditure and State share amounts for each type of Medicaid payment. If any of the non-federal share is being provided using IGTs or CPEs, please fully describe the matching arrangement including when the state agency receives the transferred amounts from the local governmental entity transferring the funds. If CPEs are used, please describe the methodology used by the state to verify that the total expenditures being certified are eligible for Federal matching funds in accordance with 42 CFR 433.51(b). For any payment funded by CPEs or IGTs, please provide the following:**
- (i) a complete list of the names of entities transferring or certifying funds;**
  - (ii) the operational nature of the entity (state, county, city, other);**
  - (iii) the total amounts transferred or certified by each entity;**
  - (iv) clarify whether the certifying or transferring entity has general taxing authority: and,**
  - (v) whether the certifying or transferring entity received appropriations (identify level of appropriations).**

**Response:** UPL payments made to governmental providers under the provision of this SPA will be paid to providers of services based on the approved UPL amount. These payments will be made to qualified hospitals in the non-state government owned or operated provider category. The non-federal share of these payments will be funded via an IGT payment from the local government (New York City). This transfer of funds must take place prior to the State making the payment to the eligible providers. New York City does have general taxing authority.

3. **Section 1902(a)(30) requires that payments for services be consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care. Section 1903(a)(1) provides for Federal financial participation to States for expenditures for services under an approved State plan. If supplemental or enhanced payments are made, please provide the total amount for each type of supplemental or enhanced payment made to each provider type.**

**Response:** The Medicaid payments authorized for this provision are supplemental payments. The amount of the supplemental payment for government hospitals will be provided once the calculation is finalized with CMS. These payments will be made to qualified hospitals in the non-state owned or operated provider category.

- 4. For clinic or outpatient hospital services please provide a detailed description of the methodology used by the state to estimate the upper payment limit (UPL) for each class of providers (State owned or operated, non-state government owned or operated, and privately owned or operated). Please provide a current (i.e., applicable to the current rate year) UPL demonstration.**

**Response:** The State is working to complete and submit the current year UPL. A cost methodology is used to estimate the UPL for each class.

- 5. Does any governmental provider receive payments that in the aggregate (normal per diem, supplemental, enhanced, other) exceed their reasonable costs of providing services? If payments exceed the cost of services, do you recoup the excess and return the Federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report?**

**Response:** Hospital-Based Outpatient: The rate methodologies included in the State Plan for outpatient hospital services are either cost-based subject to ceilings or based upon the Ambulatory Patient Group (APG) system. We are unaware of any requirement under current federal law or regulation that limits individual provider's payments to their actual costs.

#### **ACA Assurances:**

- 1. Maintenance of Effort (MOE). Under section 1902(gg) of the Social Security Act (the Act), as amended by the Affordable Care Act, as a condition of receiving any Federal payments under the Medicaid program during the MOE period indicated below, the State shall not have in effect any eligibility standards, methodologies, or procedures in its Medicaid program which are more restrictive than such eligibility provisions as in effect in its Medicaid program on March 10, 2010.**

#### **MOE Period.**

- **Begins on: March 10, 2010, and**
- **Ends on: The date the Secretary of the Federal Department of Health and Human Services determines an Exchange established by a State under the provisions of section 1311 of the Affordable Care Act is fully operational.**

**Response:** This SPA complies with the conditions of the MOE provision of section 1902(gg) of the Act for continued funding under the Medicaid program.

- 2. Section 1905(y) and (z) of the Act provides for increased FMAPs for expenditures made on or after January 1, 2014 for individuals determined eligible under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Act. Under section 1905(cc) of the Act, the increased FMAP under sections 1905(y) and (z) would not be available for States that require local political subdivisions to contribute amounts toward the non-Federal share of the State's**

expenditures at a greater percentage than would have been required on December 31, 2009.

**Prior to January 1, 2014 States may potentially require contributions by local political subdivisions toward the non-Federal share of the States' expenditures at percentages greater than were required on December 31, 2009. However, because of the provisions of section 1905(cc) of the Act, it is important to determine and document/flag any SPAs/State plans which have such greater percentages prior to the January 1, 2014 date in order to anticipate potential violations and/or appropriate corrective actions by the States and the Federal government.**

**Response:** This SPA would [  ] / would not [] violate these provisions, if they remained in effect on or after January 1, 2014.

- 3. Please indicate whether the State is currently in conformance with the requirements of section 1902(a)(37) of the Act regarding prompt payment of claims.**

**Response:** The State does comply with the requirements of section 1902(a)(37) of the Act regarding prompt payment of claims.

**Tribal Assurance:**

**Section 1902(a)(73) of the Social Security Act the Act requires a State in which one or more Indian Health Programs or Urban Indian Organizations furnish health care services to establish a process for the State Medicaid agency to seek advice on a regular ongoing basis from designees of Indian health programs whether operated by the Indian Health Service HIS Tribes or Tribal organizations under the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act ISDEAA or Urban Indian Organizations under the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.**

**IHCIA Section 2107(e)(I) of the Act was also amended to apply these requirements to the Children's Health Insurance Program CHIP. Consultation is required concerning Medicaid and CHIP matters having a direct impact on Indian health programs and Urban Indian organizations.**

- a) Please describe the process the State uses to seek advice on a regular ongoing basis from federally recognized tribes Indian Health Programs and Urban Indian Organizations on matters related to Medicaid and CHIP programs and for consultation on State Plan Amendments waiver proposals waiver extensions waiver amendments waiver renewals and proposals for demonstration projects prior to submission to CMS.**
- b) Please include information about the frequency inclusiveness and process for seeking such advice.**
- c) Please describe the consultation process that occurred specifically for the development and submission of this State Plan Amendment when it occurred and who was involved.**



**Response:** Tribal consultation was performed in accordance with the State's tribal consultation policy as approved in SPA 17-0065, and documentation of such is included with this submission. To date, no feedback has been received from any tribal representative in response to the proposed change in this SPA.