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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mandy Cohen, MD, MPH

Secretary

FROM: Dave Richard

Deputy Secretary for NC Medicaid

SUBJECT: State Plan Amendment

Title XIX, Social Security Act

Transmittal #2021-0015

DATE: September 13, 2021

Please find attached an amendment for North Carolina's State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act for the Medical Assistance Program. The affected page is Section 7.4-A, page 2.

This State Plan Amendment change outlines that North Carolina Medicaid amends the State Plan to discontinue the temporary COVID-19 5% legislative rate increase applied under Session Law 2020-4 (House Bill 1043) and amended by Session Law 2021-3 (House Bill 196) to outpatient hospital services. Effective 7/1/2021, hospital rates will revert to the rates paid prior to implementation of the temporary COVID-19 5% increase that expire on June 30, 2021 as updated via state plan amendment 21-0005.

This amendment is effective July 1, 2021.

Your approval of this state plan amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Betty J. Staton at 919-527-7093.

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## 7.4.A. Rescissions to the State's Disaster Relief Policies for the COVID-19 National Emergency

Effective July 1, 2021, the agency rescinds the temporary election applied under Session Law 2020-4 (house Bill 1043) and amended by Session Law 2021-3 (House Bill 196) for outpatient hospital services for North Carolina PHE Disaster SPA 20-0009.

This amendment discontinues a subset of the temporary COVID-19 5% legislative rate increase effective 7/1/2021. Hospital outpatient rate methodology will be implemented as outlined in CMS approved SPA 21-0005.