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James Scott, Director
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Department of Health & Human Services
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
601 East 12th Street Room 355
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

SUBJECT: State Plan Amendment
Title XIX, Social Security Act
Transmittal #2023-0011

Dear Mr. Scott:

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 Attachment 3.1-A.1, Page 13a.3 of the Medicaid State Plan. This State Plan Amendment (SPA) describes the permanent addition of two Infusion Therapy categories, Hydration, and Immunotherapy, that were added previously as temporary COVID flexibilities to the Home Infusion Therapy (HIT) Policy 3H-1. Additionally, the Medicare HIT benefit is for coverage of HIT-associated professional services for certain drugs and biologicals administered intravenously, or subcutaneously through a pump that is an item of Durable Medical Equipment (DME), effective January 1, 2021. Further, Section 1861(iii)(2) of the Act defines HIT to include the following items and services: the professional services (including nursing services), furnished in accordance with the plan, training, and education (not otherwise included in the payment for the DME), remote monitoring, and other monitoring services for the provision of HIT furnished by a qualified HIT supplier in the patient's home.

The proposed effective date is May 12, 2023.

Your approval of this State Plan Amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Cecilia Williams at (919) 270-2530.

Sincerely,

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Jay Ludlam

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Enclosures

7. Home Health (*continued*)

c. Medical supplies, equipment, and appliances suitable for use in the home.

3) Home Infusion Therapy

Self-administered Home Infusion Therapy (HIT) is covered when it is medically necessary and provided through a Medicaid enrolled HIT agency as prescribed by a physician. "Self-administered" means that the patient and/or an unpaid primary caregiver is capable, able, and willing to administer the therapy following teaching and with monitoring. An agency must be licensed in North Carolina or be a federally recognized tribal provider or Indian Health Services home health or home care agency for the provision of infusion nursing services to qualify for enrollment as a Home Infusion Therapy Provider.

The following therapies are included in this coverage when self-administered:

- i. Total parenteral nutrition
- ii. Enteral nutrition
- iii. Intravenous chemotherapy
- iv. Intravenous antibiotic therapy
- v. Pain management therapy, including subcutaneous, epidural, intrathecal, and intravenous pain management therapy.
- vi. Hydration
- vii. Immunotherapy