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# SIGNATURE REQUEST MEMORANDUM

TO: Jay Ludlam  $\mathcal{Y}$ 

**FROM:** Betty J. Staton, SPA Manager

**RE:** State Plan Amendment

Title XIX, Social Security Act Transmittal #2024-0003

### **Purpose**

Attached for your review and signature is a Medicaid State Plan Amendment (Community Support Team) summarized below, and submitted on March 11, 2024, with a due date of March 14, 2024.

#### Clearance

This amendment has been reviewed for both accuracy and completeness by:

Betty J. Staton, Melanie Bush, Lotta Crabtree, Adam Levinson

#### **Background and Summary of Request**

It is recommended that you sign this State Plan Amendment submission per Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) protocol as head of the Single State Agency administering the Medicaid program.

Please find attached a State Plan Amendment (SPA) that amends the Medicaid State Plan to apply an inflationary rate increase defined by the Division of Health Benefits and supported by the North Carolina General Assembly appropriated funds in the Current Operations Appropriations Act of 2023 (SL 2023-134) House Bill 259 to the following Assertive Community Treatment services:

Community Support Team (H2015)

The proposed effective date is January 1, 2024.

Your approval of this State Plan Amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (919) 538-3215.

Attachment 4.19-B Section 13, Page 18

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE State: North Carolina

## PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICE

# 18) Community Support Team (H2015 HT)

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of Community Support Team. The rate changed to \$26.45 and is effective as of March 1, 2022, for services provided on or after that date. The rate will be billed in increments of 15 minutes. The rate was derived based on required staffing direct labor and employment costs, overhead and associated program expenses.

Effective January 1, 2024, the agency's published Enhanced Mental Health Services fee schedule rate is effective for services provided on or after that date. All Enhanced Mental Health Service rates are published on the Division of Health Benefits website at <a href="https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee\_schedules">https://ncdhhs.servicenowservices.com/fee\_schedules</a>.

This service will be provided by direct enrolled Medicaid providers who may be either private or governmental. This service is not cost settled for any provider. This service is provided in accordance with Attachment 3.1-A.1 Page 15a.6, Paragraph 13.d., subparagraph (vii).

The facilities providing this service are not IMD facilities and NC Medicaid is not reimbursing room and board for this service.

In the event this service is operated by a 638 Compact or Indian Health Service Provider, the rate of reimbursement shall be the All-Inclusive Rate (AIR) established on an annual basis as published in the Federal Register.

In the event this service is operated by a 638 Compact or Indian Health Service Provider and is not covered under the criteria to receive the All-Inclusive Rate (AIR), the provider is subject to the NC Medicaid Fee Schedule or other agreed upon rate(s) by the payor.

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