## Skilled Nursing Facilities (SPA 16-006)

The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance hereby provides notice of its intent to amend the Medicaid State Plan Pages Attachment 4.19-D, Pages 3 and 4c, Attachment 4.19-D, and Supplement 1, Page 4. Effective October 1, 2016, the rate reduction adjustment of 1.30% and the 2.17% reduction on the direct and indirect components of the Nursing Facility rates will be removed from Nursing Facility rate calculations and rates will be adjusted accordingly. Also, effective October 1, 2016 the freeze on the case mix for nursing home direct care services will be removed, and the statewide direct care ceiling factor will be changed from 102.6 to 105. Thereafter adjustments to the rate will be made pursuant to the reimbursement methodology for Skilled Nursing Facilities, found at Attachment 4.19-D.

This amendment will become effective October 1, 2016.

The annual estimated state fiscal impact of this change is:

a. SFY 2017 \$12,233,263b. SFY 2018 \$16,685,931

A copy of the proposed public notice may be viewed at the County Department of Social Services. Questions, comments and requests for copies of the proposed State Plan amendment should be directed to the Division of Medical Assistance at the address listed below:

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