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March 18, 2022

James Scott, Director
Division of Program Operations
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 #2022-0003

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 4.19-B, Section 17, Page 2.

This state plan amendment will allow Medicaid to increase the percentage to calculate rates for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Services to 100% of North Carolinas' Medicaid Physician Fee Schedule effective January 1, 2022.

Your approval of this state plan amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Betty J. Staton at 919-538-3215.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:

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Kody H. Kinsley
Secretary

Enclosures

State Plan Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act
Medical Assistance
State: NORTH CAROLINA

PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICE

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B. Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Services (CRNA's).

Payments for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Services covered under Attachment 3.1-A.1 are equal to the lower of the submitted charge or the appropriate fee from the North Carolina Medicaid CRNA Fee Schedule.

The agency's rates were set as of January 1, 2014 and are effective on or after that date. All rates are published on the website at <http://dma.ncdhhs.gov/providers/fee-schedules>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, State developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.

Effective January 1, 2014, rates for new CRNA's rates shall be set at 98% percent of North Carolinas' Medicaid Physician Services Fee Schedule.

Effective January 1, 2022, rates for new CRNA's rates shall be set at 100% percent of North Carolinas' Medicaid Physician Services Fee Schedule.

C. Anesthesiologist Assistant Services.

Effective, January 1, 2014, fees for anesthesiologist assistants (AAs) are established at 50% of Anesthesiologist rates for DMA approved procedures (CPT and HCPCS). Anesthesiologists are reimbursed the same as physician services, which are based on the current Medicaid Physician Fee Schedule. Covered Medicaid services are described in Attachment 3.1-A.1.

The Division of Medical Assistance rates were set as of January 1, 2014 and are effective on or after that date. All rates are published on the agency's website, <http://dma.ncdhhs.gov/providers/fee-schedules>. Except as otherwise noted in the plan, State developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers.