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 #2020-0017

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 amendment requests disaster relief for North Carolina’s Medicaid Program during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The federal statute/regulation citation is based on the emergency proclamation issued by the President consistent with sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act, and subsequently through the powers invoked by the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to section 1135(b) of the Social Security Act.

NC Medicaid request to rescind and replace SPA 20-0011 for authority to calculate a monthly deficit payment adjustment to ensure hospitals are paid up to their full Medicaid costs as projected in the FFY2020 North Carolina supplemental payment “MRI/GAP Plan” after accounting for substantially lower-than-expected actual FFY 2020 claims revenue.

This amendment is effective March 1, 2020 for services rendered through June 30, 2020.

Your approval of this state plan amendment is requested. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Arthur Becton at 919-527-7105.

Sincerely,

Mandy K. Cohen, MD, MPH  
Secretary

Enclosures