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December 11, 2023

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 #2023-0037

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.

This State Plan Change will align with 42 CFR 440.70 after the Public Health Emergency. Home health services are provided by Medicare Certified Home Health Agencies. Covered home health services include nursing services, services of home health aides, specialized therapies (speech therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy) and medical supplies.

The proposed effective date of the SPA is October 01, 2023.

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:

Jay Lullam

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Jay Ludlam Deputy Secretary

Enclosures

7. <u>Home Health</u>

Home health services are provided by Medicare certified Home Health Agencies under a plan of care authorized in accordance with 42 CFR 440.70. Covered home health services include nursing services, services of home health aides, specialized therapies (speech therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy) and medical supplies.

- a. Intermittent or Part-Time Nursing Services Furnished by a Medicare certified Home Health Agency.
 - (1) Care which is furnished only to assist the patient in meeting personal care needs is not covered.
 - (2) Intermittent or part-time nursing service by a registered nurse when no home health agency exists in the area is limited to a registered nurse employed by or under contractual arrangement with a local health department or an Indian Health Service/Tribal provider.

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