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MEMORANDUM

TO: DHB Management & State Plan E-mail Subscribers

FROM: Cecilia Williams, State Plan and Amendments Coordinator

SUBJECT: Update to State Plan for Health Benefits (307)

DATE: April 18, 2022

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The following changes were made in the NC Medicaid State Plan Manual. You may view the Plan on DHB's website at <https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/meetings-and-notices/medicaid-state-plan-public-notices>.

SPA 21-0016 (FQHC SERVICES) This State Plan Amendment change revises the methodology to include (a) an update to 2018 as the cost report base year for determining provider specific Prospective Payment System (PPS) rates and (b) adding an Alternative Payment Methodology (APM) in compliance with CMS Companion Letter to North Carolina Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment (SPA) 20-0016.

OLD PAGE(S): Attachment 4.19-B, Section 2, Page 2c thru 2f REPLACED with Page 2h thru 2j; 2n Page 2k thru 2m, 2o thru 2q

NEW PAGE(S): Attachment 4.19-B, Section 2, Page 2c thru 2f REPLACED with Page 2h thru 2j; 2n Page 2k thru 2m, 2o thru 2q

SPA 21-0017 (RHC) This State Plan Amendment change revises the methodology to include (a) an update to 2018 as the cost report base year for determining provider specific Prospective Payment System (PPS) rates and (b) adding an Alternative Payment Methodology (APM) in compliance with CMS Companion Letter to North Carolina Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment (SPA) 20-0016.

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SPA 21-0018 (PACE) This State Plan Amendment change allows the state plan for PACE to align with changes made by CMS. In 2020, CMS updated the PACE state plan pre-print pages. The changes constitute language changes only for example, the reference to HCFA was changed to CMS and the statement “comparable FFS population” was revised to state “comparable population”. States were encouraged to review their existing PACE state plan pages to make sure they are to update.

OLD PAGE(S): Supplement 3 to Attachment 3.1-A, Pages 2-9 7-9

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SPA 21-0019 (MOBILE CRISIS) This State Plan Amendment change allows the state plan to establish a rate floor that would mandate a minimum reimbursement rate to aid in contracting between MCO’s and Mobile Crisis Management Providers in the State Plan. The rate for HCPCS code H2011 will be \$90.00 per 15-minute increment.

OLD PAGE(S): Attachment 4.19-B, Section 13, Page 17

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SPA 21-0020 (PHARMACIST ADMINISTERED VACCINES) This State Plan Amendment change revises the North Carolina Point of Sale reimbursement policies and titles, and to allow North Carolina licensed and certified clinical pharmacist practitioners to administer services within the scope of their practice.

OLD PAGE(S): Attachment 3.1-A.1, Page 12c Attachment 4.19-B, Section 12, Page 1b Attachment 4.19-B, Section 12, Page 1c

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