June 22, 2021

Karen Kimsey, Director
The Commonwealth of Virginia
Department of Medical Assistance Services
600 East Broad Street, #1300
Richmond, VA 23219

Attn: Regulatory Coordinator

RE: Virginia State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 21-0007

Dear Ms. Kimsey:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B of Virginia’s state plan, which was submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on March 26, 2021. This plan amendment adds payment for tribal health clinics including an alternate payment method for tribal FQHCs equal to the OMB all-inclusive rate.

Based upon the information provided by the State, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of February 24, 2021. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Gary Knight at 304.347.5723 or Gary.Knight@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Todd McMillion

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

Enclosures
TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL
FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER
21007
2. STATE
Virginia

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
2/24/2021

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One)
☐ NEW STATE PLAN
☐ AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN
☒ AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION
1905(b) of the Social Security Act

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT
   a. FFY 2021 $0
   b. FFY 2022 $0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT
Attachment 4.19B, revised page 4.8, new pages 4.9, 4.10, and 4.11

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable)
   Same as box #8.

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT
    Tribal Health Clinic

11. GOVERNOR’S REVIEW (Check One)
    ☐ GOVERNOR’S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
    ☐ COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR’S OFFICE ENCLOSED
    ☒ NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

    OTHER, AS SPECIFIED
    Secretary of Health and Human Resources

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

13. TYPED NAME
    Karen Kimsey

14. TITLE
    Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED
    3/26/2021

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16. RETURN TO
    Dept. of Medical Assistance Services
    600 East Broad Street, #1300
    Richmond VA 23219
    Attn: Regulatory Coordinator

17. DATE RECEIVED
    March 26, 2021

18. DATE APPROVED
    6/22/2021

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL
    February 24, 2021

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL
    Todd McMillion

21. TYPED NAME
    Todd McMillion

22. TITLE
    Director, Division of Reimbursement Review

23. REMARKS

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2. Supplemental Payments for FQHCs/RHCs selecting the PPS methodology. FQHCs/RHCs that provide services under a contract with a Medicaid Managed Care Entity (MCE) will receive quarterly state supplemental payments for the cost of furnishing such services that are an estimate of the difference between the payments the FQHC/RHC receives from MCEs and the payments the FQHC/RHC would have received under the BIPA PPS methodology. At the end of each FQHCs/RHCs fiscal year, the total amount of supplemental and MCE payments received by the FQHC/RHC will be reviewed against the amount that the actual number of visits provided under the FQHCs/RHCs contract with MCE would have yielded under the PPS. If the PPS amount exceeds the total amount of supplemental and MCE payments, the FQHC/RHC will be paid the difference between the PPS amount calculated using the actual number of visits and the total amount of supplemental and MCE payments received by the FQHC/RHC. If the PPS amount is less than the total amount of supplemental and MCE payments, the FQHC/RHC will refund to DMAS the difference between the PPS amount calculated using the actual number of visits, and the total amount of supplemental and MCE payments received by the FQHC/RHC.

D. These providers shall be subject to the same cost reporting submission requirements as specified in Attachment 4.19-B, page 1.1 (12VAC30-80-20) for cost-based reimbursed providers.
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REIMBURSEMENT FOR INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE TRIBAL 638 HEALTH FACILITIES

A. Reimbursement for Tribal Health Clinics

1. Services provided by or through facilities of the Indian Health Services (IHS) which includes, at the option of the tribe, facilities operated by a tribe or tribal organization and funded by Title I or V of the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act, also known as Tribal 638 facilities, are paid at the applicable IHS OMB rate published in the annual Federal Register or Federal Register Notices by IHS.

2. The most current published IHS OMB outpatient per visit rate, also known as the outpatient all-inclusive rate, is paid for up to five (5) outpatient visits per beneficiary per calendar day for professional services. An outpatient visit is defined as a face-to-face or telemedicine contact between any health care professional, at or through the IHS facility as described above, authorized to provide services under the State Plan and a beneficiary for the provision of Title XIX defined services, as documented in the beneficiary’s medical record.

3. To be included in the outpatient per visit rate are certain pharmaceutical/drugs, dental services, rehabilitative services, behavioral health services, any and all ancillary services, and emergency room services provided on-site and medical supplies incidental to the services provided to the beneficiary.

B. Payments to Tribal 638 Programs

Virginia Medicaid reimburses Tribal 638 facilities in accordance with the most recently published Federal Register. Encounters/visits are limited to healthcare professionals as approved under the Virginia Medicaid State Plan. A tribal health program selecting to enroll as a FQHC and agreeing to an alternate payment methodology (APM) will be paid using the APM.

C. Alternative Payment Methodology for Tribal Facilities Recognized as FQHCs

1. Outpatient health programs or facilities operated by a Tribe or Tribal organization that choose to be recognized as FQHCs in accordance with Section 1905 (I)(2)(B) of the Social Security Act and the Indian Self-Determination Act (Public Law 93-638) will be paid using an alternative payment methodology (APM) for services, that is the published, all-inclusive rate (AIR). The APM/AIR rate is paid for up to five face-to-face encounters/visits per recipient per day.

2. Virginia Medicaid will establish a Prospective Payment System (PPS) methodology for the Tribal facility so that the Agency can determine on an annual basis that the published, all-inclusive rate results in payment to the center or clinic of an amount which is at least equal to the PPS payment rate. The PPS rate will be established by reference to the current rate applicable to one or more non-tribal FQHCs in the same or adjacent areas with similar caseloads. If such a non-tribal FQHC is not available, the PPS rate will be established by reference to the current rate applicable to
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one or more non-tribal FQHCs in the same or adjacent areas with a similar scope of services. If there is no non-tribal FQHC in the same or adjacent area with similar caseloads or similar scope of services, the PPS rate will be based on an average rate of non-tribal FQHCs throughout the state. The Tribal facility would not be required to report its costs for the purposes of establishing a PPS rate. The APM is effective for services provided on and after February 24, 2021.

3. The individual FQHC must agree to receive the APM.
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§6. Fee-for-service providers. (12 VAC 30-80-30)

A. Payment for the following services, except for physician services, shall be the lower of the State agency fee schedule (Supplement 4 has information about the State agency fee schedule except as specified below) or actual charge (charge to the general public). Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private individual practitioners. Fee schedules and any annual /periodic adjustments to the fee schedule are published on the DMAS website at the following web address: http://www.dmas.virginia.gov:

1. Physicians' services. Payment for physician services shall be the lower of the State agency fee schedule or actual charge (charge to the general public).