

**John Bel Edwards**  
GOVERNOR



**Rebekah E. Gee MD, MPH**  
SECRETARY

**State of Louisiana**  
Louisiana Department of Health  
Office of the Secretary

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY**

March 29, 2017

Bill Brooks  
Associate Regional Administrator  
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health  
DHHS/Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services  
1301 Young Street, Room #833  
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Brooks:

RE: Louisiana Title XIX State Plan  
Transmittal No. 17-0014

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed Louisiana Title XIX State Plan material.

I recommend this material for adoption and inclusion in the body of the State Plan.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rebekah E. Gee", with a large, stylized flourish.

Rebekah E. Gee MD, MPH  
Secretary

Attachments (3)

REG:JS:JH

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF  
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

**FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR  
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:

**17-0014**

2. STATE

**Louisiana**

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

**March 1, 2017**

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:

**42 CFR 447 Subpart C**

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:

a. FFY 2017 (\$3,892,500) ~~\$(3,892,500)~~

b. FFY 2018 (\$3,184,500) ~~\$(3,184,500)~~

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

**Attachment 4.19-A, Item 1, Page 8b(3)**  
**Attachment 4.19-A, Item 1, Page 8c**

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN  
SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (*If Applicable*):

**Same (TN 09-23 )**

**Same (TN 07-31) - RESERVED**

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: **The SPA proposes to eliminate the total supplemental payments pool for graduate medical education payments to qualifying acute care hospitals.**

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:

**The Governor does not review state plan material.**

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:

**Rebekah E. Gee MD, MPH**

14. TITLE:

**Secretary**

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

**March 29, 2017**

16. RETURN TO:

**Jen Steele, Medicaid Director**

**State of Louisiana**

**Department of Health**

**628 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street**

**P.O. Box 91030**

**Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030**

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17. DATE RECEIVED:

18. DATE APPROVED:

**PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED**

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

21. TYPED NAME:

22. TITLE:

23. REMARKS: **The State requests a pen and ink change to box #7, above.**

LA TITLE XIX SPA

TRANSMITTAL #: 17-0014

TITLE: Inpatient Hospital Services - Graduate Medical Education - Supplement

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2017

FISCAL IMPACT:  
(Decrease)

year	% inc.	fed. match	# mos	range of mos.	dollars
1st SFY 2017			4	March 2017 - June 2017	(\$5,000,000)
2nd SFY 2018			12	July 2017 - June 2018	(\$5,000,000)
3rd SFY 2019			12	July 2018 - June 2019	(\$5,000,000)

\*#mos-Months remaining in fiscal year

**Total Decrease in Cost FFY 2017**

SFY 2017 (\$5,000,000) for 4 months March 2017 - June 2017 (\$5,000,000)

SFY 2018 (\$5,000,000) for 12 months July 2017 - June 2018  
 (\$5,000,000) / 12 X 3 = (\$1,250,000)  
 (\$6,250,000)

FFP (FFY 2017 ) = (\$6,250,000) X 62.28% = (\$3,892,500)

**Total Decrease in Cost FFY 2018**

SFY 2018 (\$5,000,000) for 12 months July 2017 - June 2018  
 (\$5,000,000) / 12 X 9 = (\$3,750,000)

SFY 2019 (\$5,000,000) for 12 months July 2018 - June 2019  
 (\$5,000,000) / 12 X 3 = (\$1,250,000)  
 (\$5,000,000)

FFP (FFY 2018 )= (\$5,000,000) X 63.69% = (\$3,184,500)



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occurs first. Payments distributed in the qualifying quarters will be calculated as follows using Medicaid paid days for state fiscal year 2008 service dates serving as a proxy for state fiscal years 2010 and 2011 service dates.

- i. Qualifying hospitals with greater than 20,000 paid Medicaid days for state fiscal year 2008 service dates will be paid \$60 per Medicaid paid day.
  - ii. Qualifying hospitals with greater than 2,500, but less than or equal to 20,000 paid Medicaid days for state fiscal year 2008 service dates will be paid \$105 per Medicaid paid day.
  - iii. Qualifying hospitals with greater than 1,000, but less than or equal to 2,500 paid Medicaid days for state fiscal year 2008 service dates will be paid \$225 per Medicaid paid day.
- 4) Hurricane Impacted Freestanding Rehabilitation and Long Term Acute Care Hospitals

Maximum aggregate payments to all qualifying hospitals in this group will not exceed \$500,000.

- a) Qualifying Criteria – Medicare designated freestanding rehabilitation hospital or long term acute hospital that is located in DHH Administrative Region 1 (New Orleans), 2 (Baton Rouge), 3 (Thibodaux), 5 (Lake Charles), or 9 (Mandeville), and had at least 100 paid Medicaid days for SFY 2008 dates of service.
- b) Payment Methodology – Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2009, each eligible hospital shall receive quarterly supplemental payments. Payments distributed in the qualifying quarters will be calculated using Medicaid paid days for state fiscal year 2008 service dates serving as a proxy for state fiscal years 2010 and 2011 service dates multiplied by \$40 per Medicaid paid day. Payments are applicable to Medicaid service dates provided during each quarter and will end on December 31, 2010 or when the \$500,000 maximum payment limit for this group is reached, whichever occurs first.

**STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT  
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**ATTACHMENT 4.19-A  
Item 1, Page 8c**

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**c.        RESERVED**

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TN _____	Approval Date _____	Effective Date _____
Supersedes		
TN _____		