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**State Plan Amendment (SPA) #: 15-0008**

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September 30, 2015

Kathy Stiffler, Acting Director  
Medical Services Administration  
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services  
400 South Pine Street, P.O. Box 30479  
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7979

ATTN: Erin Black

Dear Ms. Stiffler:

Enclosed for your records is an approved copy of the following State Plan Amendment:

- Transmittal #: 15-0008: Enrollment of Psychologist, Social Workers and Professional Counselors as Medicaid Providers
- Effective: September 1, 2015

If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Campbell at (312) 353-1557 or [Leslie.Campbell@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Leslie.Campbell@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/

Ruth A. Hughes  
Associate Regional Administrator  
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF  
STATE PLAN MATERIAL  
FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 15 - 0008	2. STATE: Michigan
3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID) TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE September 1, 2015	

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR  
HEALTH FINANCING ADMINISTRATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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 440.60

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:  
a. FFY 2015 \$0  
b. FFY 2016 \$0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:  
Supplement to Attachment 3.1-A, Page 17a.1  
Attachment 4.19-B, Page 1  
Attachment 4.19-B, Page 5a

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):  
Supplement to Attachment 3.1-A, Page 17a.1  
Attachment 4.19-B, Page 1  
Attachment 4.19-B, Page 5a

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Allows enrollment of psychologists, social workers, and professional counselors as Medicaid providers.

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT       OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:  
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED      Kathleen Stiffler, Acting Director  
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL      Medical Services Administration

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:  
Kathleen Stiffler

14. TITLE:  
Acting Director, Medical Services Administration

15. DATE SUBMITTED:  
July 13, 2015

16. RETURN TO:

Medical Services Administration  
Actuarial Division - Federal Liaison  
Capitol Commons Center - 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
400 South Pine  
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Attn: Erin Black

**FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY**

17. DATE RECEIVED:  
July 13, 2015

18. DATE APPROVED:  
September 30, 2015

**PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED**

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:  
September 1, 2015

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:  
/s/

21. TYPE NAME:  
Ruth A. Hughes

22. TITLE:  
Associate Regional Administrator

23. REMARKS:

**STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT**

State of MICHIGAN

***Amount, Duration and Scope of Medical and Remedial Care  
Services Provided to the Categorically and Medically Needy***

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6. Medical Care Furnished by Practitioners within the Scope of their Practice as Defined by State Law  
(continued)

d. Other Practitioner Services (continued)

Pharmacists - Effective June 1, 2015, the administration of vaccines is covered when provided by a licensed pharmacist as authorized by the State within their scope of practice.

Psychologists – Effective September 1, 2015, limited licensed, Master’s level Psychologists and fully licensed, Doctoral level Psychologists will be enrolled to provide behavioral health services. Covered services are limited to those under the Psychologist’s scope of practice as defined by State law.

Social Workers – Effective September 1, 2015, fully licensed, Master’s level Social Workers will be enrolled to provide behavioral health services. Covered services are limited to those under the Social Worker’s scope of practice as defined by State law.

Professional Counselors - Effective September 1, 2015, fully licensed, Master’s or Doctoral level Professional Counselors will be enrolled to provide behavioral health services. Covered services are limited to those under the Professional Counselor’s scope of practice as defined by State law.

## STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State of MICHIGAN

### ***Policy and Methods for Establishing Payment Rates (Other than Inpatient Hospital and Long Term Care Facilities)***

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#### 1. Individual Practitioner Services

Payment rates are established by the Medical Services Administration as a fee screen for each procedure. The fee schedule is designed to enlist the participation of an adequate number of providers. The Medicare prevailing fees, the Resource Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS) and other relative value information, other state Medicaid fee screens, and providers' charges may be utilized as guidelines or reference in determining the maximum fee screens for individual procedures. The state assures that both public and private providers are paid under the same fee screens for the same services. Fee schedules are updated annually using the Resource Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS) Medicare January release.

These payment rates apply to the following practitioners:

- Physicians (MD and DO)
- Ophthalmologists
- Oral Surgeons
- Podiatrists
- Physician's Assistants
- Nurse Practitioners – Up to 100% of fee schedule except assistant at surgery at 85% of fee schedule
- Certified Nurse Midwives
- Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists
- Optometrists
- Chiropractors
- Psychologists - At 75% of fee schedule
- Social Workers - At 75% of fee schedule
- Professional Counselors - At 75% of fee schedule

For beneficiaries with no Medicare or commercial insurance coverage, providers are reimbursed the lesser of:

- the Medicaid fee screen minus any applicable Medicaid co-payment, patient pay, or spend-down amounts.
- the provider's usual and customary charge minus any applicable Medicaid co-payment, patient pay, or spend-down amounts.

For beneficiaries with Medicare and/or commercial insurance coverage, providers are reimbursed the lesser of:

- the Medicaid beneficiary's liability for Medicare/commercial insurance coinsurance, co-payments, and/or deductibles minus any applicable Medicaid co-payment, patient pay, or spend-down amounts.
- the Medicaid fee screen minus any third party payments, contractual adjustments, and any applicable Medicaid co-payment, patient pay, or spend-down amounts.

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**STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT**

State of MICHIGAN

***Policy and Methods for Establishing Payment Rates  
Other than Inpatient Hospital and Long-Term-Care Facilities***

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12. Medical care furnished by practitioners within the scope of their practice as defined by state law.

A. Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs)

The agency's fee schedule rate was set using the same methodology that applies to Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists in Item 1. Individual Practitioner Services.

B. Chiropractors

The agency's fee schedule rate was set using the same methodology that applies to Chiropractors in Item 1. Individual Practitioner Services.

C. Podiatrists

The agency's fee schedule rate was set using the same methodology that applies to Podiatrists in Item 1. Individual Practitioner Services.

D. Optometrist

The agency's fee schedule rate was set using the same methodology that applies to Optometrists in Item 1. Individual Practitioner Services.

E. Registered/Licensed Dental Hygienists (RDHs)

Unless otherwise noted, Michigan's Medicaid payment rates are uniform for private and governmental providers. The Michigan Medicaid fee schedule effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2010, may be found at [www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders](http://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders).

For services reimbursed under the fee for service methodology as administered by the Michigan Department of Community Health, providers are reimbursed the lesser of the Medicaid fee screen or the provider's usual and customary charge minus any third party payment. A provider's usual and customary charge should be the fee they most frequently charge their patients with regard to special considerations or financial status.

F. Psychologists

The agency's fee schedule rate was set using the same methodology that applies to Psychologists in Item 1. Individual Practitioner Services.

G. Social Workers

The agency's fee schedule rate was set using the same methodology that applies to Social Workers in Item 1. Individual Practitioner Services.

H. Professional Counselors

The agency's fee schedule rate was set using the same methodology that applies to Professional Counselors in Item 1. Individual Practitioner Services.

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