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Marie Zimmerman, State Medicaid Director
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Dear Ms. Zimmerman:

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

Transmittal #17-0018 --Increases payment rates for dental services provided to children.

--Effective Date: July 1, 2017

--Approval Date: December 8, 2017

If you have any additional questions, please have a member of your staff contact Sandra Porter at (312) 353-8310 or via e-mail at Sandra.Porter@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosures

cc: Ann Berg, MDHS
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10. Dental services (continued):

X-ray services are paid according to the dental services methodology listed above. Effective January 1, 2002, payment for x-ray services provided to recipients under age 21 are paid the lower of:

- 1) the submitted charge; or
- 2) 85% of the median charges submitted in 1999.

Diagnostic examinations are paid according to the dental services methodology listed above. Effective January 1, 2002, payment for diagnostic examinations provided to recipients under age 21 are paid the lower of:

- 1) the submitted charge; or
- 2) 85% of the median charges submitted in 1999.

Effective for services provided on or after October 1, 1999, **tooth sealants** and **fluoride treatments** are paid at the lower of:

- 1) submitted charge; or
- 2) 80% of the median charges submitted in 1997.

Effective January 1, 2000, the rate is increased by three percent.

Medical and surgical services (as defined by the Department) furnished by dentists are paid using the same methodology as item 5.a., Physicians' services.

Community health worker services educating patients to promote good oral health and self-management of dental conditions when supervised by a dentist are paid using the same methodology that applies to community health workers in item 5.a., Physicians' services.

The base rates as described in this item are adjusted by the following clauses of Supplement 2 of this Attachment:

- ~~X. Dental Services rate decrease 2011 (does not apply to state operated dental clinics)~~
- cc. Supplemental payment for medical education
- dd. Dental Services rate increase 2014
- ii. Dental Services rate increase 2015
- ll. Rate increase for dental services provided to children, effective July 1, 2017
- D. MinnesotaCare Tax Rate Adjustment

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ii. Dental Services rate increase 2015

Effective for dental services provided by dental providers located outside of the seven-county metropolitan area on or after July 1, 2015, payment rates shall be increased by 9.65 percent from the rates in effect on June 30, 2015. This increase does not apply to state-operated dental clinics, federally qualified health centers, rural health centers, Indian Health Service, and tribal 638 facilities.

jj. Rate increase for miscellaneous services, effective July 1, 2015

Effective July 1, 2015, payment rates for the following services are increased 90 percent from the rates in effect on June 30, 2015, when provided by an essential community provider that was formerly a state hospital, and is now an outpatient hospital specializing in the treatment of cerebral palsy, spina bifida, epilepsy, closed head injuries, specialized orthopedic problems, and other disabling conditions:

- Outpatient hospital facility fees (Item 2.a)
- Medical supplies and durable medical equipment not subject to a volume purchase agreement (Item 7.c)
- Physical therapy (Item 11.a)
- Occupational therapy (Item 11.b)
- Speech pathology (Item 11.c)
- Prosthetics and orthotics (Item 12.c)

Payments made under this item are not limited by item H of this supplement.

kk. Ambulance services rate increase 2016

Effective for ambulance services provided on or after July 1, 2016, payment rates for services are increased by 5 percent for ambulance providers located within a municipality with a population of less than 1,000, or located outside the seven-county metro area and the cities of Duluth, Mankato, Moorhead, St. Cloud, and Rochester.

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11. Rate increase for dental services provided to children, effective July 1, 2017

Effective for dental services provided on or after July 1, 2017, to recipients under 21 years of age by dental providers, payment rates shall be increased by 23.8 percent from the payment rates in effect on June 30, 2017. This increase does not apply to state-operated dental clinics, federally qualified health centers, rural health centers, Indian Health Service, and tribal 638 facilities.