

Public and Tribal Notice

Wyoming Department of Health

State Plan Amendment for Attachment 4.19-B – Other Types of Care

August 30, 2023

Public and Tribal notice is hereby given that the Wyoming Department of Health intends to submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The SPA documents changes to the calculation of hospital outpatient supplemental payments to government owned hospitals through the Qualified Rate Adjustment (QRA) program and the calculation of supplemental payments to privately-owned hospitals through the Private Hospital Supplemental (PHS) payment program. This SPA also adds documentation of the WY Medicaid hospital outpatient and professional services Upper Payment Limit (UPL) demonstration methodologies. A separate public and tribal notice was posted earlier in the summer of 2023 for a new supplemental payment program also documented in State Plan Attachment 4.19-B. This new supplemental payment program is for ground ambulance services.

The SPA changes include the following:

- **Qualified Rate Adjustment (QRA) Payment:** Wyoming Medicaid intends to remove the description of how the hospital outpatient UPL is determined from this section.
- **Private Hospital Supplemental (PHS) Payment:** Wyoming Medicaid intends to remove the description of how the hospital outpatient UPL is determined from this section.
- **Hospital Outpatient Upper Payment Limit (UPL):** Wyoming Medicaid intends to add language describing the hospital outpatient UPL calculation method. The calculation methodology is not new nor changing. Documentation of these calculation methods is simply being added to the State Plan under this SPA.
- **Professional Services Supplemental Payment (PSSP) Upper Payment Limit (UPL):** Wyoming Medicaid intends to add language describing the PSSP UPL calculation methodology. The calculation method is not new nor changing. Documentation of these calculation methods is simply being added to the State Plan under this SPA.

Wyoming Medicaid estimates this programmatic change to be budget neutral for both the Medicaid general fund and hospitals who contribute the non-federal share of supplemental payments through inter-governmental transfers and the private hospital health care assessment. Pursuant to governing statute, Wyoming Medicaid may withhold up to 3% of calculated payments to cover the program's administrative costs.

Copies of the Wyoming Medicaid State Plan will be available at the Department of Health, Division of Healthcare Financing. To obtain a copy of the State Plan Amendment or provide comment, please contact:

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Public comment will be accepted from August 30, 2023 – September 30, 2023.