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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

MAR 08 2013

Toby Douglas, Director
California Department of Health Care Services
P.O. Box 997413, MS 0000
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Dear Mr. Douglas:

Enclosed is an approved copy of California State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-011. SPA 12-011 was submitted to my office on December 11, 2012 to update the State Plan to reflect the provision of concurrent palliative and curative care for children using hospice services pursuant to Section 2302 the Affordable Care Act. The SPA also updates the State Plan to reflect Medi-Cal's current prior authorization requirements for adult hospice services.

The effective date of this SPA is October 1, 2012. Enclosed are the following approved SPA pages that should be incorporated into your approved State Plan:

- Attachment 3.1-A, page 7
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A, page 22
- Attachment 3.1-B, page 6
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-B, page 22

If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Dillon by phone at (415) 744-3579 or by email at Kristin.Dillon@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,



Gloria Nagle, Ph.D., MPA
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

cc: Kathyryn Waje, California Department of Health Care Services
Laurie Weaver, California Department of Health Care Services

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
12-011

2. STATE
CA

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

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

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

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
October 1, 2012

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:
Affordable Care Act, Section 2302

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2012-13 \$0
b. FFY 2013-14 \$0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:
Attachment 3.1-A, Page 7
Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A, Page 22
Attachment 3.1-B, Page 6
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9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):
Attachment 3.1-A, Page 7
Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A, Page 22
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10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:
SPA 12-011 - Hospice Updates

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's Office does not
wish to review the State Plan Amendment.

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL

13. TYPED NAME:
Toby Douglas

14. TITLE:
Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED: **DEC 11 2012**

16. RETURN TO:

Department of Health Care Services
Attn: State Plan Coordinator
1501 Capitol Avenue, MS 4506
P.O. Box 997413
Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED: 12/11/12

18. DATE APPROVED: **MAR 08 2013**

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: 10/1/12

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

21. TYPED NAME: Gloria Nagle

22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator

23. REMARKS:

State/Territory: California

AMOUNT, DURATION AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES
PROVIDED TO THE CATEGORICALLY NEEDY

15.a. Intermediate care facility services (other than such services in an institution for mental diseases) for persons determined in accordance with section 1902(a)(31)(A) of the Act, to be in need of such care.

Provided: No limitations With limitations*
 Not provided:

b. Including such services in a public institution (or distinct part thereof) for the mentally retarded or persons with related conditions.

Provided: No limitations With limitations*
 Not provided:

16. Inpatient psychiatric facility services for individuals under 22 years of age.

Provided: No limitations With limitations*
 Not provided:

17. Nurse-midwife services

Provided: No limitations With limitations*
 Not provided:

18. Hospice care (in accordance with section 1905(o) of the Act).

Provided: No limitations Provided in accordance with section 2302 of the Affordable Care Act
 With limitations* Not provided:

*Description provided on attachment

TN No. 12-011
Supercedes
TN No. 91-13

Approval Date MAR 08 2013 Effective Date 10/1/12

State/Territory: California

AMOUNT, DURATION AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL
AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED
TO THE MEDICALLY NEEDY

c. Intermediate care facility services.

Provided: No limitations With limitations*

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STATE PLAN CHART

Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A

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(Note: This chart is an overview only)

TYPE OF SERVICE	PROGRAM COVERAGE**	PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OR OTHER REQUIREMENTS*
17. Nurse Midwife Services	All services permitted under scope of licensure.	Services do not require prior authorization.
18. Hospice Services	Covered when provided by a Medicare certified hospice in the same scope and duration as Medicare. Services are limited to individuals who have been certified by a physician as having a life expectancy of six months or less.	Prior authorization is required for general inpatient care. Special physicians services do not require prior authorization. Eligible adults electing hospice care agree to waive their right to receive curative services related to their terminal illness. Eligible children electing hospice care can receive concurrent palliative and curative care.

* Prior authorization is not required for emergency service

**Coverage is limited to medically necessary services

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STATE PLAN CHART

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