



**State of Louisiana**  
Louisiana Department of Health  
Bureau of Health Services Financing

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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. 16-0022 ICF-IID Supplemental Payments UPL**

Please refer to the above proposed State Plan amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 16-0022 with an effective date of August 1, 2016. The SPA proposed to establish upper payment limits for supplemental payments to private intermediate care facilities entering into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Department to provide a privately operated living setting to residents discharging from Pinecrest Supports and Services Center (Pinecrest).

The Department no longer wishes to pursue this State Plan amendment and requests that LA SPA TN 16-0022 be withdrawn from consideration.

Sincerely,

*Lee A. Budgewater*

*for* Jen Steele  
Medicaid Director

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