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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH - REGION VI

October 13, 2017

Our Reference: SPA LA 17-0022

Ms. Jen Steele, State Medicaid Director
Department of Health
628 North 4th St.
Post Office Box 91030
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Attention: Karen Barnes

Dear Ms. Steele:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Louisiana State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 17-0022 dated September 28, 2017. This state plan amendment proposes to amend the provisions governing hospital services and to establish provisions governing Medicaid reimbursement for legislatively mandated newborn screenings in an acute inpatient hospital setting.

Based on the information submitted, we have approved the amendment for incorporation into the official Louisiana State Plan with an effective date change of August 5, 2017. A copy of the CMS-179 and approved plan pages are enclosed with this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley at (214) 767-6278 or by email at Cheryl.Rupley@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Brooks". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Bill Brooks
Associate Regional Administrator

STATE OF LOUISIANA

AMOUNT, DURATION, AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED
LIMITATIONS ON THE AMOUNT, DURATION, AND SCOPE OF CERTAIN ITEMS OF PROVIDED
MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES ARE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Coverage of Newborn Screenings Provided in an Inpatient Hospital Setting by the Office of Public Health

Effective for dates of service on or after August 5, 2017, the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, shall provide coverage of newborn screenings performed for patients that are in acute care hospital settings, separate and apart from the coverage of the inpatient hospital stay.

Enrolled and qualified laboratory providers will be eligible to provide these services.

State: Louisiana
Date Received: 9-28-17
Date Approved: 10-13-17
Date Effective: 8-05-17
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