STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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State of Mississippi

Methods and Standards For Establishing Payment Rates-Other Types Of Care

Payment for Other Provider Preventable Conditions to include the three Never Events:

Effective June 1, 2012, and in accordance with Title XIX of the Social Security Act-Sections 1902(a)(4), 1902(a)(6), and 1903 and 42 CFR's 434.6, 438.6, 447.26, Medicaid will make no payments to providers for services related to Other Provider Preventable Conditions (OPPC's) that at a minimum must include the Never Events (NE).

Never Events will be identified with the following ICD-9 or diagnosis codes or ICD-10 replacement diagnosis codes:

- E876.5-Performance of wrong operation (procedure) on correct patient
- E876.6-Performance of operation (procedure) on patient not scheduled for surgery
- E876.7-Performance of correct operation (procedure) on the wrong side/body part

No reduction in payment for the Other Provider Preventable Condition that include at a minimum the Never Events will be imposed on a provider when the surgery or procedure defined as a Never Event for a particular patient existed prior to the initiation of treatment for the patient by that provider.

Reductions in provider payment may be limited to the extent that the following apply:

1. The State can reasonably isolate for non-payment the portion of the payment directly related to treatment for, and related to, the Other Provider Preventable Condition that include at a minimum the Never Events.

Non-payment of Other Provider Preventable Conditions that include at a minimum the Never Events shall not prevent access to services for Medicaid beneficiaries.

The following method will be used to determine the payment adjustment for Other Provider Preventable Conditions that at a minimum include the Never Events as defined by the National Coverage Determination:

- A. For dates of services beginning on or after June 1, 2012, through June 30, 2014, paid claims identified quarterly in the Mississippi Medicaid Information System (MMIS) with a diagnosis code for any of the three Never Events will be reviewed to ensure the State can reasonably isolate for non-payment the portion of the payment directly related to the treatment for, and related to, the Other Provider Preventable Condition that include at a minimum the Never Events.
- B. For dates of services beginning on or after July 1, 2014, once quarterly, claims identified in MMIS with a diagnosis code for any of the three Never Events will be denied, reviewed and adjusted to ensure no-payment is made for treatment directly related Other Provider Preventable Condition that include, at a minimum, the Never Events.