May 28, 2009

Mr. William Streur Deputy Commissioner Alaska Department of Health and Social Services P.O. Box 110660 Juneau, AK 99811-0660

Dear Mr. Streur:

We are pleased to inform you that the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State plan amendment submitted March 3, 2009 has been approved. This amendment changes children's eligibility from 6 month continuous eligibility to 12 month continuous eligibility.

This amendment has a retroactive effective date of April 1, 2009.

Your title XXI project officer is Mr. Jeffrey Silverman. He is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related issues. Mr. Silverman's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Mr. Silverman and to Ms. Barbara Richards, Acting Associate Regional Administrator in our Seattle Regional Office. Ms. Richards' address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Dianne Heffron, Acting Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

/s/

Charlene Frizzera Acting Administrator Ms. Barbara Richards, ARA, Region X-