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Donald E. Williamson, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Williamson:

Your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State plan amendment (SPA) number 9, submitted on September 22, 2010, has been approved. This amendment has a retroactive effective date of October 1, 2009, for the establishment of a prospective payment system for federally qualified health centers and rural health clinics. This amendment also establishes that Alabama's Title XXI dental benefits are compliant with Section 501 of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA).

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Amy Lutzky. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related issues. Ms. Lutzky's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Lutzky and to Ms. Jackie Glaze, Associate Regional Administrator in our Atlanta Regional Office. Ms. Glaze's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Victoria Wachino, Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group at (410) 786-5647.

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

Sincerely,

/s/

Cindy Mann
Director

cc: Jackie Glaze, ARA, CMS Region IV