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Mr. Mark Schaefer Acting Director, Medical Care Administration Department of Social Services 25 Sigourney Street Hartford, CT 06106-5033

Dear Mr. Schaefer:

We are pleased to inform you that your Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State plan amendment (SPA), submitted June 30, 2009, with additional information submitted December 1, 2009, has been approved.

This amendment expands eligibility in the State plan to lawfully residing children from 185 percent up to and including 300 percent of the Federal poverty level (FPL) as authorized by section 214 of the Children's Health Insurance Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA) of 2009. These children are eligible as Optional Targeted Low-Income Children as defined at section 1905(u)(2) of the Social Security Act. The effective date of this SPA is April 1, 2009.

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

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Mr. Gagnon and to Mr. Richard McGreal, Associate Regional Administrator for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Region I, Division of Medicaid and State Operations. Mr. McGreal's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Victoria Wachino, 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/

Cindy Mann Director

cc: Mr. Richard McGreal, Associate Regional Administrator, CMS Region I Office