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Dear Ms. Vermeer:

This letter is to inform you that Iowa's Title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) state plan amendment (SPA) number 17, submitted August 1, 2013, has been approved. In accordance with Section 503 of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act, this amendment will meet the requirements for prospective payments to Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs). United Healthcare will reimburse FQHCs and RHCs at the most current Medicaid prospective payment system rates, and Wellmark Health Plan of Iowa will use an alternative payment methodology. This SPA has a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2013.

Your Title XXI project officer is Mr. Martin Burian. He is available to answer questions concerning this amendment. Mr. Burian's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Mr. Burian and to James G. Scott, Associate Regional Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Region VII, Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations. Mr. Scott's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Dr. Eliot Fishman, Director, Children and Adults Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services at (410) 786-5647.

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

Sincerely,

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cc: James G. Scott, ARA, CMS Region VII