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Dear Ms. Berg:

Your fifth title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State plan amendment (SPA) submitted on May 25, 2010, with revised State plan pages and additional information submitted on August 16, 2010, has been approved. This amendment has a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2010.

This SPA allows Minnesota to obtain Federal matching funds to expand eligibility to uninsured optional targeted low-income children, who have gross family income up to and including 280 percent of the Federal poverty level, and are non-citizens lawfully residing in the United States, as permitted by section 214 of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA). Minnesota already has an approved Medicaid SPA for the CHIPRA section 214 coverage option. It was approved on August 19, 2010, with a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2010.

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

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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: Charles Friedrich, CMS Region V Office