

November 8, 2007

Mr. Chris Traylor
Associate Commissioner for Medicaid and
Children's Health Insurance Program
Texas Health and Human Services Commission
P.O. Box 13247
Austin, TX 78711

Dear Mr. Traylor:

We are pleased to inform you that the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) State plan amendment (SPA) submitted August 10, 2007, has been approved. This amendment amends the dollar amount of dental services enrollees are eligible to receive in a year in the SCHIP. As a result of this amendment, each tier of benefits will include preventive services up to \$250 and therapeutic services ranging from \$280 to \$565. This amendment has a retroactive effective date of September 1, 2007.

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

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Casart and to Mr. Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator in our Dallas Regional Office. Mr. Brooks' address is:

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

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

Sincerely,

/s/

Kerry Weems
Acting Administrator

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cc: CMS Region VI Office