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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

August 2, 2013

Ms. Stephanie Azar, Acting Commissioner Alabama Medicaid Agency Post Office Box 5624 Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624

Attention: Stephanie Lindsay

Re: Alabama Title XIX State Plan Amendment, AL-12-003

Dear Ms. Azar:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Atlanta Regional Office has completed its review of Alabama State Plan Amendment, 12-003. The purpose of this amendment is to change reimbursement for school-based direct care services from the current Fee-for-Service (FFS) payment methodology to a FFS cost settlement arrangement.

Based on the information provided, we are approving Alabama State Plan Amendment 12-003 as of August 2, 2013. The effective date is April 1, 2012. The signed HCFA-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed.

If you have any questions concerning this amendment or require further assistance, please contact Melanie Johnson at (404) 562-0151.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jackie Glaze Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures