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**DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS**

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May 29, 2013

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

Re: Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #13-001

Dear Ms. Azar:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Alabama Medicaid State Plan Transmittal #13-001 that was received in the Regional Office on January 14, 2013. This state plan amendment allows primary care physicians that practice in family medicine, general internal medicine and pediatric medicine to receive increased payments for certain primary care services and vaccine administration in the calendar years 2013 and 2014. This amendment is in compliance with the requirements Section 1202 of the Affordable Care Act.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment AL 13-001. This SPA was approved on May 29, 2013. The effective date of this amendment is January 1, 2013. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

As we are working in partnership to implement this important provision, we would greatly appreciate if you can inform us when your state begins to pay the increased rates to your providers. Additionally, to the extent you have information regarding the number of providers receiving the enhanced payments; we would appreciate that information as well.

If you have any questions, please contact Joseph Raymundo at 404-562-7406.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosures