

Region IX

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Thomas J. Betlach, Director Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 801 East Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85034

Dear Mr. Betlach:

Enclosed is an approved copy of Arizona State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 11-010. This SPA allows Arizona to rebase its outpatient hospital reimbursement fee schedule effective October 1, 2011 using the most current available Medicare cost data. This rebase of outpatient hospital rates is required by State law every five years and is budget neutral because the total payment for hospital outpatient services will remain the same.

The effective date of this SPA is October 1, 2011 as requested. Enclosed are the following approved State Plan pages to be incorporated within your approved State Plan:

• Attachment 4.19-B, pages 1 and 2

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Cheryl Young at (415) 744-3598 or at cheryl.young@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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