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Region VIII

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Laurel Karabatsos, Acting Medicaid Director
Medical Assistance Office
Department of Health Care Policy & Financing
1570 Grant Street
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RE: Colorado #11-002

Dear Ms. Karabatsos:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-002. The purpose of this amendment is to document compliance with the new requirements in section 1903(r) of the Act regarding Colorado's participation in the Public Reporting Information System (PARIS).

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment is approved effective January 1, 2011. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Diane Dunstan-Murphy at (303) 844-7040.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard C. Allen
Associate Regional Administrator
Division for Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

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