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Region VIII

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RE: Colorado #11-006

Dear Ms. Birch:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-006. This SPA adds coverage for physician assistants and clinical nurse specialist practitioners and provides reimbursement to eligible government-operated hospitals or the government entities with which they are affiliated for the uncompensated Medicaid costs of providing physician and specified-non physician practitioner professional services to Medicaid beneficiaries.

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
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