

Region VIII

August 17, 2011

Susan E. Birch, MBA, BSN, RN, Executive Director Department of Health Care Policy & Financing 1570 Grant Street Denver, CO 80203-1818

RE: Colorado #11-022

Dear Ms. Birch:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-022. This SPA reflects the Colorado legislative mandate to decrease the reimbursement for physician services.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment is approved effective July 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

cc: Suzanne Brennan Pat Connally Barb Prehmus John Bartholomew Sharon Parga