

Region VIII

July 29, 2011

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

RE: Colorado #11-032

Dear Ms. Birch:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-032. The purpose of this amendment is to reflect the decrease in reimbursement for outpatient hospital 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: Laurel Karabatsos Barb Prehmus John Bartholomew Sharon Parga