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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations / Boston Regional Office

December 6, 2010

Michael P. Starkowski, Commissioner Department of Social Services 25 Sigourney Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Mr. Starkowski:

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved Connecticut State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 09-010, submitted to my office on March 29, 2010. This SPA transmitted a proposed amendment to Connecticut's approved Title XIX State Plan to expand the State's Medicaid Program to add hospice as a new benefit. This SPA has been approved effective January 1, 2010, as requested by the State.

Changes are reflected in the following sections of your approved State Plan:

- Attachment 3.1-A, page 7;
- Attachment 3.1-B, page 6;
- Addendum pages 4c, 12a, 13-15 to Attachment 3.1-A;
- Addendum pages 4c, 12a, 13-15 to Attachment 3.1-B; and Attachment 4.19-B, page 2(b).

If you have any questions regarding this matter you may contact Julie McCarthy (617) 565-1244 or by e-mail at <u>Julie.McCarthy@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal Associate Regional Administrator

cc: Mark Schaefer, Director, Medical Care Administration

Enclosure/s