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RE: KS 09-008:

Dear Dr. Allison:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 09-008. Effective September 4, 2009, this amendment modifies the methodology for Disproportionate Share Hospital payments. Specifically, this amendment realigns the DSH payment period from the state fiscal year to the federal fiscal year. To accomplish this, the remaining unspent balance of the 2009 federal DSH allotment will be paid to qualifying providers for the period ending September 30, 2009.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are pleased to inform you that Medicaid State plan amendment 09-008 is approved effective September 4, 2009. We are enclosing the HCFA-179 and the amended plan pages.

If you have any questions, please call Tim Weidler at (816) 426-6429.

Sincerely,


Cindy Mann
Director

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Enclosures