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Region III/Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

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Charles J. Milligan Jr., Deputy Secretary Health Care Financing MD Department of Health and Mental Hygiene 201 West Preston Street, Room 525 Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Mr. Milligan:

Enclosed is a copy of the approved State Plan Amendment (SPA), Transmittal Number 11-10. This SPA, in accordance with Section 2302 of the Affordable Care Act, makes hospice services available to children eligible for Medicaid and children eligible for the Medicaid-expansion Children's Health Insurance Program without forgoing any other service to which the child is entitled under Medicaid for treatment of the terminal condition.

The effective date for this amendment is April 1, 2011. The signed CMS-179 form and the approved State Plan page are enclosed.

If you have questions about this SPA, please contact Rosemary Field of my staff at (215) 861-4278.

Sincerely,

Ted Gallagher

Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Rebecca Hyman - MD DHMH