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

Dear Mr. Milligan:

We are pleased to inform you that Maryland State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 11-12 has been approved. This amendment updates the State Plan language and reduces fees paid to various practitioners by one percent. The effective date of this SPA is July 1, 2011.

The signed CMS-179 and the approved State Plan pages are enclosed.

Please note that, accompanying this approval of SPA 11-12, there is an enclosed companion letter addressing unrelated issues that arose in review of this SPA.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment or the accompanying companion letter, please contact Rosemary Feild at (215) 861-4278.

Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures

Do you know someone who has been denied medical insurance because of a pre-existing condition? If so, they may be eligible for the new Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan. Call toll free 1-866-717-5826 (TTY 1-866-561-1604) or visit www.pcip.gov and click on "Find Your State" to learn more.