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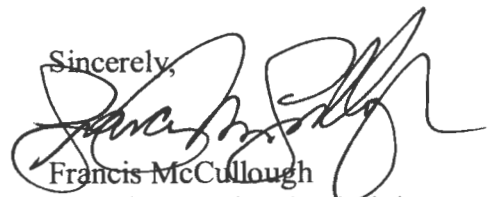
Charles J. Milligan Jr.
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Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
201 West Preston Street, Room 525
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Mr. Milligan:

Enclosed is a copy of the approved State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 12-11. The purpose of this SPA is to remove the service category formerly titled Intermediate Care Facilities, as it is no longer considered a separate facility from Nursing Facilities, and to remove related pages to bring the State Plan pages current.

The effective date for this amendment is October 1, 2012. The signed CMS-179 form and the approved State Plan pages are enclosed.

If you have questions about this SPA, please contact Lieutenant Commander Andrea Cunningham of my staff at (215) 861-4325.

Sincerely,

Francis McCullough
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures