

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

March 27, 2012

Brian Kinkade, Acting Director
Missouri Department of Social Services
Broadway State Office Building
P.O. Box 1527
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-1527

Dear Mr. Kinkade:

On July 15, 2011, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Missouri's state plan amendment (SPA) transmittal #11-08, to clarify nurse practitioner services to comply with 42 CFR 440.166 and adds language which documents the reimbursement methodology used to pay for services rendered by nurse practitioners.

This SPA was approved on March 26, 2012 with an effective date of July 1, 2011 as requested by the State.

Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form as well as the approved page for incorporation into the Missouri State plan.

I appreciate the significant amount of work that your staff dedicated to getting this SPA approved and the cooperative way in which we achieved this much-desired outcome. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact me at (816)426-5925 or have your staff contact Rhonda Wells or Debbie Read at (816) 426-5925 or Rhonda.Wells@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leticia Barraza". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Leticia Barraza
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Ian McCaslin