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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

March 5, 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 December 6, 2011, the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Missouri's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #11-17, which adds restrictions regarding children under the age of 17 being transported under the non-emergency medical transportation program to be accompanied by a parent or adult. It also adds coverage for foster care participants 18-21 years of age.

This SPA was approved on March 2, 2012 with an effective of October 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,

/s/

James G. Scott Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Ian McCaslin