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Dear Ms. Sablan:

I am writing to inform you that CNMI's State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 12-001 has been approved. This SPA was submitted to my office on March 29, 2012, and implements certain monetary and age limitations for services under the CNMI State Plan. Additionally, MP 12-001 restricts most services to the governmentally-owned Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation's providers and facilities. Lastly, this SPA elaborates upon the provider qualification requirements for the provision of services to CNMI's Medicaid beneficiaries. The approval is effective January 1, 2012 as requested.

Attached are copies of the new pages to be incorporated within your approved State Plan:

- Attachment 3.1-A, pages 1-4

If you have any questions, please contact Tom Schenck at (415) 744-3589, or tom.schenck@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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cc: Mary Rydell, CMS Pacific Area Representative