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David J. Dzielak, PhD  
Executive Director  
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550 High Street, Suite 1000  
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Attention: Vicky Donaho

RE: Mississippi Title XIX State Plan Amendment (SPA), Transmittal # MS 11-008

Dear Dr. Dzielak:

We have completed our review of SPA MS 11-008 that was received in the Regional Office on December 27, 2011. The amendment was submitted to appropriately set the rates for Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASC) at 80 percent of the current Medicare Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System. This methodology further allows the Division of Medicaid to update the ASC codes and rates annually based on the Medicare annual updates.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve SPA MS 11-008. This SPA was approved on March 23, 2012. The effective date of this amendment is January 1, 2012. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Yvette Moore at (404) 562-7327.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jackie Glaze". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Jackie Glaze  
Associate Regional Administrator  
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures