

November 4, 2011

Craigan Gray, MD, MBA, JD Director Division of Medical Assistance North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services 2501 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-2501

Attention: Teresa Smith

RE: North Carolina (NC) Title XIX State Plan Amendment (SPA), Transmittal #11-044

Dear Dr. Gray:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the NC Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 11-044 and received in the Atlanta Regional Office on August 18, 2011.

This amendment is required to freeze the rates for state fiscal year (SFY) 2012 at the rates in effect July 1, 2011 for adult care homes.

While we are approving this State plan amendment, we want to remind the State that a sunset of coverage and reimbursement is still effective February 29, 2012. Also, we want to remind the State that the approval of this amendment does not in any way address the State's independent obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Supreme Court's Olmstead decision.

Based on the information provided, Medicaid SPA 11-044 was approved on November 2, 2011. The effective date of this amendment is November 1, 2011. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan page.

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

Sincerely,

Jackie Blaze

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

Enclosures