

Region VIII

November 21, 2012

Maggie Anderson, Medicaid Director Medical Services Division North Dakota Department of Human Services 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 325 Bismarck, ND 58505-0250

RE: North Dakota #11-021

Dear Ms. Anderson:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-021. This amendment provides a 3% inflationary rate increase for North Dakota Medicaid providers.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment was approved today with an effective date of July 1, 2011. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

In addition, we are enclosing a request for a companion SPA to ND-11-021 that will address the State limits on the number of days for Ambulatory Behavioral Health Care (Partial Hospitalization services) based on three levels.

If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Ann Clemens at (303) 844-2125.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard C. Allen Associate Regional Administrator Division for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

CC: Mary Lou Thompson