

Region VIII

August 14, 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 #12-015

Dear Ms. Anderson:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 12-015. The purpose of this amendment is to add tobacco cessation counseling for pregnant women as a service for the Medicaid program.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment was approved August 13, 2012 with effective date of July 1, 2012. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

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