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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations / Boston Regional Office

May 15, 2013

Nicholas A. Toumpas, Commissioner Department of Health and Human Services State of New Hampshire 129 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301

Re: New Hampshire SPA TN 13-002

Dear Commissioner Toumpas,

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved New Hampshire State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 13-002, with an effective date of January 1, 2013 to the close of business on December 31, 2014 as requested by your Agency. This SPA transmitted a proposed amendment to your approved Title XIX State plan to reflect compliance with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Section 1202 entitled "Payments to Primary Care Physicians." As we are working in partnership to implement this important provision, we would greatly appreciate if you can inform us when your state begins to pay the increased rates to your providers. Additionally, to the extent you have information regarding the number of providers receiving the enhanced payments and the total amount of expenditures thus far; we would appreciate that information as well.

If there are questions, please contact Joyce Butterworth at (617) 565-1220 or by e-mail at <u>Joyce.Butterworth@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure/s

cc: Kathleen Dunn, State Medicaid Director

Diane Peterson, Medicaid Business and Policy