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John R. Guhl, Director
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Dear Mr. Guhl:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed review of New Jersey's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 09-06, "Therapeutic Leave in Long Term Care Facilities." Based on the State's e-mail of November 6, 2009, in which the state responded to CMS's informal questions, SPA 09-06 is approved. The originally submitted page 1 of Attachment 4.1C has been replaced by the revised page that was included with the State's e-mail. The signed CMS-179 and the approved State Plan page are enclosed.

Please thank all of your staff members who were involved in the discussions and informal responses that enabled CMS to process this SPA within the first 90-day period after submittal.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Alberino at 212-616-2415.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosure