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John McCarthy, Medicaid Director Office of Ohio Health Plans Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) P.O. Box 182709 50 West Town Street, Suite 400 Columbus, Ohio 43218

RE: TN 09-035

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

Enclosed for your records is an approved copy of the following State Plan Amendment:

Transmittal #09-035 Implementing a provider rate decrease equating to 3 percent in the aggregate, and including a reduction in the adult dental benefit and a limit reduction for certain incontinence garments for adults; effective January 1, 2010.

CMS provided technical assistance to the State regarding upper payment limit (UPL) demonstrations during the review of this SPA, however, as rates were reduced by this SPA, UPL demonstrations were not necessary. CMS has provided guidance to the State for the Clinic UPL demonstrations, including the Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) UPL demonstration, and will require a revised demonstration for any future changes to Clinic rates or payment methodologies.

Please contact Heather Brown-Palsgrove, of my staff, at (312) 886-2417 or <u>heather.brown-palsgrove@cms.hhs.gov</u> if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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