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Ms. Harriet Dichter, Acting Secretary Department of Public Welfare Commonwealth of Pennsylvania P.O. Box 2675 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-2675

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RE: State Plan Amendment 09-024

Dear Ms. Dichter:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 09-024. This amendment amends the current aggregate limits Pennsylvania uses to determine disproportionate share adjustment (DSH) payments for Inpatient DSH, Outpatient DSH and Direct Medical Education to qualifying hospitals.

We conducted our review of this amendment according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(3), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. I am pleased to inform you that Medicaid State plan amendment 09-0024 is approved effective October 1, 2009. I have enclosed the approved HCFA-179 and the amended state plan pages.

If you have any questions, please call Gary Knight on (304) 347-5723.

Sincerely,

Cindy Mann Director Center for Medicaid, CHIP, and Survey & Certification