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Ms. Harriet Dichter, Secretary Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Public welfare Office of Medical Assistance Programs Bureau of Policy, Budget and Planning P.O. Box 8046 Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 10-015

Dear Ms. Dichter:

We completed our review of the proposed amendment to section 4.19A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 10-015. Specifically, this amendment authorizes disproportionate share payment adjustments to certain qualifying hospitals that provide a high volume of services to Medicaid and low income populations.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at Sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act (the Act) and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are pleased to inform you that the Pennsylvania SPA 10-015 is approved, effective June 27, 2010. We are enclosing the HCFA-179 and the amended state plan pages.

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

Sincerely,

Director

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