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Mr. Gary D. Alexander, Secretary Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Office of Medical Assistance Programs P.O. Box 8046 Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-009

Dear Mr. Alexander:

We have completed our review of SPA 12-009 which amends section 4.19A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX state plan. Specifically, it continues disproportionate share adjustment payments to certain qualifying hospitals that provide obstetrical and neonatal intensive care services to low-income pregnant women and children.

We conducted our review of your submittal 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 (the Act) and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are approving Pennsylvania SPA 12-009, effective April 8, 2012. 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,

Cindy Mann Director, CMCS