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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
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RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-011

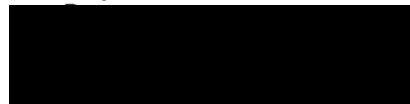
Dear Mr. Alexander:

We have completed our review of SPA 12-011 which amends section 4.19A of Pennsylvania's Title XIX state plan. Specifically, it continues disproportionate share adjustment (DSH) payments to certain qualifying hospitals with burn centers. These DSH payments are made to assure the availability and coordination of burn care to Pennsylvania's Medicaid population.

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 12-011, effective April 15, 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