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June 23, 2011

Mr. Anthony E. Keck, Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
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Re: South Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #11-005

Dear Mr. Keck:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the South Carolina Medicaid State Plan SC 11-005 that was received in the Regional Office on March 29, 2011. This State plan amendment allows South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) to reduce provider payments three percent (3%) effective for services provided on and after April 4, 2011 by reimbursing providers at ninety seven percent (97%) of the Medicaid rate or Medicaid payment calculated in accordance with the methodologies in effect on April 1, 2011.

A companion letter is also being issued with this approval to address the program and financial concerns that developed during the review of this frontal rate reduction plan.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment SC 11-005. This SPA was approved on June 20, 2011. The effective date of this amendment is April 4, 2011. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

If you have any questions, please contact Yvette Moore at 404-562-7327.

Sincerely,

David Kimble
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures