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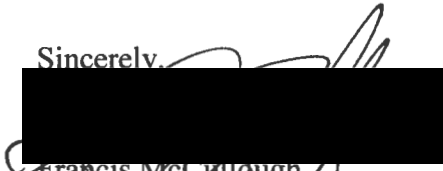

Dear Ms. Jones:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has reviewed Virginia State Plan Amendment (SPA) 11-17, in which you address issues identified by companion letters for VA SPAs 10-12 and 10-16. This SPA implements comprehensive changes to the effective date related to fee-for-service providers for the following services: Physicians' Services, Dental Services, Mental Health Services, Podiatry, Nurse-Midwife Services, Durable Medical Equipment, Local Health Services, Laboratory Services, Handling Lab Specimens, X-Ray Services, Optometry Services, Medical Supplies and Equipment, Home Health Services, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Clinic Services, Personal Assistance Services, Supplemental Physician Payments and Supplemental Payments to Non-State Government Clinics.

This SPA is acceptable. Therefore, we are approving SPA 11-17 with an effective date of December 31, 2011. Enclosed are the approved SPA pages and signed CMS-179 form.

If you have further questions about this SPA, please contact Margaret Kosherzenko at (215) 861-4288.

Sincerely,



Francis McCullough
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures