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RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-002

Dear Ms. Atkins:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-002. This amendment modifies the State's methods and standards for setting payment rates for inpatient hospital services. Specifically, this amendment continues certain special payments provided to prospective payment hospitals and to safety net hospitals.

We conducted our review of this amendment 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 Medicaid State plan amendment 12-002 with an effective date of January 1, 2012. We are enclosing the HCFA-179 and the amended plan pages.

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

Sincerely,

Cindy Mann

Director, CMCS