

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

September 26, 2012

Brian Kinkade, Interim Director
Missouri Department of Social Services
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Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-1527

Dear Mr. Kinkade:

On July 10, 2012, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Missouri's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #12-14, which increases the overall outpatient rates for services provided in federally designated critical access hospitals (CAHs) by 5% and state designated CAHs by 3%.

This SPA was approved on Sept 25, 2012, with an effective date of July 1, 2012, as requested by the State. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form, as well as, the approved page for incorporation into the Missouri State plan.

I appreciate the significant amount of work that your staff dedicated to getting this SPA approved and the cooperative way in which we achieved this much-desired outcome. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact me at or have your staff contact Kevin Slaven at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

Leticia Barraza
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

cc: Ian McCaslin