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Ms. Maggie Anderson
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Dear Ms. Anderson:

This letter is to inform you that North Dakota's title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State plan amendment (SPA) #8, submitted July 7, 2010, has been approved. In accordance with section 503 of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act, this amendment will establish an alternate payment system for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Centers (RHCs). This SPA has a retroactive effective date of October 1, 2009.

Your title XXI project officer is Mr. Martin Burian. He is available to answer questions concerning this amendment. Mr. Burian's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Mr. Burian and to Richard Allen, Associate Regional Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Region VIII, Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations. Mr. Allen's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Victoria Wachino, Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid, CHIP and Survey & Certification, at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

/s/

Cindy Mann
Director

cc: CMS Region VIII Office