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Ms. Sharon L. Carte
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Dear Ms. Carte:

We are pleased to inform you that your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State plan amendment (SPA) number 11, submitted September 21, 2011, has been approved. This amendment implements changes in the reimbursement methodology for Federally qualified health centers and rural health clinics from a fee for service arrangement to a prospective payment system in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009 (CHIPRA). This SPA has an effective date of October 1, 2011.

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Ticia Jones. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related issues. Ms. Jones' contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Jones and to Mr. Francis McCullough, Acting Associate Regional Administrator in our Philadelphia Regional Office. Mr. McCullough's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Victoria Wachino, Director, Children and Adults Health Programs Group at (410) 786-5647.

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

Sincerely,

/s/

Cindy Mann
Director

cc: Francis McCullough, Acting ARA, CMS Region III