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Dear Dr. Gray:

Thank you for the State's communication regarding the extension of North Carolina's Medicaid section 1115 Demonstration, entitled "Be Smart Family Planning Waiver." The State requested that the current program, which is due to expire on March 31, 2012, be extended to May 31, 2012.

With this letter, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is approving your request to temporarily extend the Be Smart Family Planning Waiver until May 31, 2012. This period of time will allow the State to pursue the new State plan eligibility option for family planning services created by section 2303 of the Affordable Care Act.

The Demonstration is currently operating under the authority of section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act. The current list of expenditure authorities and Special Terms and Conditions will continue to apply to the Demonstration until May 31, 2012.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff in the coming months.

Sincerely,

/Jennifer Ryan/

Jennifer Ryan Deputy Director

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