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January 29, 2010

Ms. Carol A. Herrmann-Steckel, MPH  
Commissioner  
Alabama Medicaid Agency  
501 Dexter Avenue  
Post Office Box 5624  
Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624

Re: Alabama Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #09-008

Dear Ms. Herrmann-Steckel:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Alabama Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 09-008. This amendment proposes to implement the Telemedicine program in order to improve access to health care for Medicaid eligible recipients residing in medically underserved areas of Alabama. This service will be considered a physician service limited initially to the specialties of dermatology and psychiatry, with an implementation of the program projected to begin February 1, 2010.

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that Medicaid State Plan Amendment 09-008 was approved on January 26, 2010. The effective date for this amendment is February 1, 2010. We are also enclosing the approved HCFA-179 and plan page.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Terry Frix at (404) 562-7495, Cheryl Brimage at (404)-562-7116 or Rita Nimmons at (404) 562-7415.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mary Kaye Justis, RN, MBA.  
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Enclosures