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**Division of Medicaid & Children's Health, Region VI**

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Our Reference: SPA-AR-12-07

Dr. Andrew Allison  
State Medicaid Director  
Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services  
P.O. Box 1437  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203

Dear Dr. Allison:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to your Medicaid State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 12-07. The state is currently in the Request For Proposal (RFP) phase of the procurement process for establishing a recovery audit contractor (RAC) program, and is requesting a time limited exception in order to complete the procurement process. This process is to be completed by October 1, 2012.

Transmittal Number 12-03 is approved with an effective date of October 1, 2012 as requested. A copy of the HCFA-179, Transmittal No. 12-07 dated April 23, 2012 is enclosed along with the approved plan pages.

If you have any questions, please contact Stacey Shuman at (214) 767-6479.

Sincerely,

Bill Brooks  
Associate Regional Administrator  
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health

Enclosure