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## Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations / Boston Regional Office

January 25, 2010

Michael P. Starkowski, Commissioner Department of Social Services 25 Sigourney Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Mr. Starkowski,

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved Connecticut State plan amendment (SPA) No. 09-019. This proposed plan submitted to my office on December 18, 2009 transmitted an amendment to your Department's approved Title XIX State plan proposing to reduce provider methadone maintenance rates to the Medicare Upper Payment Limit (\$85.53 per week) or by 3%, which ever results in a higher rate. It also proposed to reduce clinics reimbursement rates by 1% for clinics whose rates were below the UPL prior to the reduction. The approval is effective October 1, 2009 as requested.

Changes are reflected in the following sections of your approved State Plan;

• Attachment 4.19B page(s) 1 (d)

Please contact Don Novo of my staff if you have any questions. He can be reached at (617) 565-1225.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal Associate Regional Administrator

cc: Mark Schaefer, Acting Director, Medical Care Policy & Behavioral Health

Enclosure(s)