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Rosanne Mahaney, Director Division of Medicaid & Medical Assistance Delaware Health and Social Services 1901 N. DuPont Highway New Castle, Delaware 19720-0906

Dear Ms. Mahaney:

We have reviewed Delaware State Plan Amendment (SPA) 11-008. This SPA identifies freestanding birth center services as a mandatory Medicaid benefit, pursuant to Section 2301 of the Affordable Care Act. This SPA is acceptable. Therefore, we are approving SPA 11-008 with an effective date of September 2, 2011. Enclosed are the approved SPA pages and signed CMS-179 form.

If you have further questions about this SPA, please contact Melanie Benning at 215-861-4267.

Sincerely.

Francis McCullough

Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures

cc: De Earhart, CMS RO

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