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RE: Iowa State Plan Amendment TN: 11-022

Dear Mr. Palmer:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-022. This amendment provides for increased inpatient hospital base rates to rates to all hospitals except for the University of Iowa Hospital and out-of-state hospitals. The payment increase is intended to provide relief to providers by increasing State fiscal year 2012 payments to offset reduced reimbursement received by providers in SFY 2011.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the implementing Federal regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. This is to inform you that Medicaid State plan amendment 11-022 is approved effective August 1, 2011. We are enclosing the HCFA-179 and the amended plan pages.

If you have any questions, please call Tim Weidler at (816) 426-6429.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cindy Mann". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cindy Mann  
Director, CMCS

Enclosures