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Richard Armstrong, Director
Department of Health & Welfare
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RE: Idaho State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 13-004

Dear Mr. Armstrong,

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-B of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 13-004. This State plan amendment (SPA) implements primary care physician incentive payments.

This SPA is approved effective January 1, 2013, as requested by the State. For your files, we are enclosing the HCFA-179 transmittal form and the amended plan pages.

As we are working in partnership to implement this important provision, we would greatly appreciate if you can inform us when your state begins to pay the increased rates to your providers. Additionally, to the extent you have information regarding the number of providers receiving the enhanced payments, we would appreciate that information as well.

If you have any questions concerning this state plan amendment, please contact me, or your staff may contact Tom Couch at CMS' Boise Outstation Office, at 208-334-9482 or Thomas.Couch@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carol J.C. Peverly" followed by a stylized monogram "JAS".

Carol J.C. Peverly
Associate Regional Administrator
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