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RE: KS 09-002:

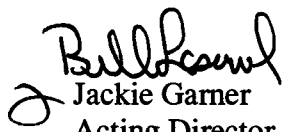
Dear Dr. Nielson:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 09-002. Effective April 1, 2009, this amendment modifies payment methodology for disproportionate share hospitals (DSH). Specifically, this amendment updates the 2009 DSH payment pools to reflect the increase in the federal DSH allotment permitted by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

We conducted our review of your submittal according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 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. We are pleased to inform you that Medicaid State plan amendment 09-002 is approved effective April 1, 2009. 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,


Jackie Garner
Acting Director
Center for Medicaid and State Operations.

Enclosures