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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

July 12, 2011

Barbara Langner, PhD., RN Medicaid Director Kansas Health Policy Authority Landon State Office Building 900 SW Jackson Street, Room 900N Topeka, KS 66612

RE: State Plan Amendment (SPA) #10-16

Dear Dr. Langner:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to page 9 and page 9a of your Medicaid State Plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 10-16. Effective January 1, 2011, this amendment implements Kansas' tribal consultation process as required in Section 5006 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

This amendment was reviewed in conjunction with ARRA as well as State Medicaid Director Letter 10-001. This amendment was also reviewed based on information provided by the State regarding their communication with the tribes on this consultation process.

Based upon the information received, we are now ready to approve SPA 10-16 as of July 11, 2011, with an effective date of January 1, 2011, as requested by the State. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as, the approved page for incorporation into the Kansas State plan. If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Megan Buck at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

Leticia Barraza Acting Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

cc: Rita Haverkamp, KHPA

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