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## Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

April 23, 2013

Kari Bruffett, Director Kansas Department of Health and Environment Division of Health Care Finance Landon State Office Building 900 SW Jackson, Room 900N Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Ms. Bruffett:

On January 25, 2013, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Kansas's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #13-03, regarding a primary care physician bonus. This SPA is for the purpose of increasing primary care professional codes for specific primary care specialties.

This SPA was approved on April 19, 2013, with an effective of January 1, 2013, 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.

I appreciate the significant amount of work that your staff dedicated to getting this SPA approved and the cooperative way in which we achieved this much-desired outcome. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact Kevin Slaven at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

James G. Scott Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Susan Mosier, MD