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DIVISION OF MEDICAID AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH

September 14, 2012

Our Reference: SPA LA 12-13

Ms. Ruth Kennedy, State Medicaid Director Department of Health and Hospitals Bienville Building 628 North 4th Street Post Office Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030

Attn: Keydra Singleton

Dear Ms. Kennedy:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to your Medicaid State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 12-13. This state plan amendment allows Louisiana to comply with the federal requirements for tribal consultation for state plan amendments, waiver amendments and CHIP amendments.

Transmittal Number 12-13 is approved with an effective date of April 1, 2012 as requested. A copy of the HCFA-179, Transmittal No. 12-13 dated June 19, 2012 is enclosed along with the approved plan pages.

If you have any questions, please contact Ford Blunt III at <u>ford.blunt@cms.hhs.gov</u> or by phone at (214) 767-6381.

Sincerely,

Bill Brooks Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures