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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH - REGION VI

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Our Reference: SPA LA 12-51

Ms. Ruth Kennedy, State Medicaid Director
Department of Health and Hospitals
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Post Office Box 91030
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Attn: Darlene Adams
Jodie Hebert

Dear Ms. Kennedy:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to your Medicaid State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 12-51. The state plan reduces reimbursement rates paid to outpatient, non-rural, non-state and children's specialty hospitals by 3.7 percent in order to avoid a budget deficit.

Transmittal Number 12-51 is approved with an effective date of August 1, 2012 as requested. A copy of the HCFA-179, Transmittal No. 12-51 dated September 13, 2012 is enclosed along with the approved plan pages.

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

Sincerely,

Bill Brooks
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures