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JudyAnn Bigby, M.D., Secretary  
Executive Office of Health and Human Services  
One Ashburton Place, Room 1109  
Boston, MA 02108

Dear Dr. Bigby:

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved Massachusetts State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 11-016 submitted to my office on December 29, 2011. This amendment updates the methodology used to calculate payment rates for acute hospital outpatient services for hospital rate year 2012. This SPA has been approved effective October 1, 2011, as requested.

Changes are reflected in the following section of your approved State Plan:

- Attachment 4.19-B(1), pages 1-12.

If you have any questions regarding this matter you may contact Julie McCarthy at (617) 565-1244 or by e-mail at [Julie.McCarthy@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Julie.McCarthy@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/

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Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure/s

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