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John Polanowicz, Secretary
Executive Office of Health and Human Services
One Ashburton Place, Room 1109
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Dear Mr. Polanowicz:

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved Massachusetts State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 13-006 submitted to my office on March 29, 2013.

This SPA was submitted to revise Attachment 4.19-B of your approved Title XIX State plan to implement Sections 1902(a)(13), 1902(jj), 1932(f) and 1905(dd) of the Social Security Act, as amended by the Affordable Care Act. This amendment revises the payment for certain primary care services for calendar years 2013 and 2014, and updates the fees for vaccine administration under the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program. This SPA has been approved effective January 1, 2013.

Changes are reflected on the following pages of your approved State Plan:

- Attachment 4.19-B, pages 13-16

As we are working in partnership to implement this important provision, we would greatly appreciate if you can inform us when you begin to pay the increased rates to your providers. Additionally, to the extent you have information regarding the number of providers receiving the enhanced payments, we would appreciate that information as well.

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.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure/s

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