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December 15, 2009

Brenda M. Harvey, Commissioner  
Department of Health and Human Services  
11 State House Station  
Augusta, Maine 04333-0011

Dear Ms. Harvey:

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved State plan amendment (SPA) No. 09-008. This SPA is effective July 1, 2009 as requested.

SPA 09-008 transmitted a proposed amendment to your approved Title XIX State plan to elect the option provided by §214 of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009, Public Law 111-3. This option provides States, at their option, to grant full Medicaid coverage to all otherwise eligible alien children or pregnant women fully residing in the United States.

We are approving this SPA as revised. As we agreed to, you submitted the latest revised draft version of the State plan pages. In addition, we added §1903(v)(4) of the Social Security Act in box 6 of the Transmittal and Notice of Approval of State Plan Material (CMS-179). Furthermore, we revised boxes 8 and 9 to indicate the correct page number of the plan attachment and the page number of the superseded plan attachment, respectively.

Please contact Chong Tieng if there are questions. He can be reached at (617) 565-9157.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal  
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Tony Marple, Director, Office of MaineCare Services