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## **Region VIII**

March 27, 2013

Mary Dalton, Medicaid & Health Services Manager Montana Department of Health & Human Services 1400 Broadway PO Box 202951 Helena, MT 59620

Re: SPA MT-12-027

Dear Ms Dalton:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 12-027. In this SPA, outpatient hospital services are being updated to clarify that Montana Medicaid does not recognize provider based status for out of state facilities; specify that speech-language pathology services will be paid a Medicaid facility fee; and change the effective date regarding the outpatient fee schedule to 7/1/12.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment is approved on March 26, 2013 with an effective date of July 1, 2012. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

If you have any questions regarding this SPA please contact Cindy Smith at 303-844-7041.

Sincerely,

/s/

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