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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

September 21, 2012

Mr. Michael Watson Director Division of Medical Assistance North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services 2501 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-2501

Attention: Teresa Smith

RE: North Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal # NC 11-040

Dear Mr. Watson:

We reviewed the proposed amendment to the North Carolina Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) NC 11-040 that was received in the Regional Office on August 18, 2011. The amendment allows North Carolina to convert its Section 1115 Family Planning waiver to a regular State plan amendment through Section 2303 of the Affordable Care Act. Through this SPA, North Carolina will provide family planning services to all individuals who are eligible; require the State to cover the same family planning services that categorically needy recipients receive; impose no restrictions for eligibility based on age to receive family planning services; and provide non-emergency medical transportation for recipients to and from family planning appointments.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment NC 11-040. This SPA was approved on September 21, 2012. The effective date of this amendment is October 1, 2011. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

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If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Elaine Elmore at (404) 562-7408 or Yvette Moore at (404) 562-7327.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jackie Glaze Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures