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Attention: Teresa Smith

RE: North Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal # NC 11-048

Dear Dr. Gray:

We reviewed the proposed amendment to the North Carolina Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) NC 11-048 that was received in the Regional Office on September 27, 2011. The amendment proposes to add Physician Assistant as a licensed professional to the State plan.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment NC 11-048. This SPA was approved on December 22, 2011. The effective date of this amendment is April 1, 2012. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

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

Sincerely,

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

Enclosures