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Attention: Teresa Smith

RE: North Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal # NC 11-053

Dear Dr. Gray:

We reviewed the proposed amendment to the North Carolina Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) NC 11-053 that was received in the Regional Office on October 27, 2011. The amendment implements the Asset Verification System (AVS).

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment NC 11-053. This SPA was approved on January 20, 2012. The effective date of this amendment is October 1, 2011. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Joyce Wilkerson at (404) 562-7426 or Rita Nimmons at (404) 562-7415.

Sincerely,

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