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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

November 26, 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 12-016

Dear Mr. Watson:

We reviewed the proposed amendment to the North Carolina Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) NC 12-016 that was received in the Regional Office on September 10, 2012. The amendment provides clarification to reflect that hearing aid services for children includes supplies and equipment and that the services meet the requirements of federal regulation at 42 CFR 440.110.

The Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment reimbursement methodology references the Local Health Department cost reconciliation methodology. While Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has questions regarding that methodology, the questions are currently being addressed as part of our review of NC 10-035B.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment NC 12-016. This SPA was approved on November 21, 2012. The effective date of this amendment is July 1, 2012. We are enclosing the signed HCFA-179 and approved plan pages.

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

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosures