

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



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Valerie Harr Director of Medical Assistance and Health Services Department of Human Services CN 712 Quakerbridge Plaza Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0712

Dear Ms. Harr:

We have completed our review of New Jersey's State Plan amendment (SPA) 11-08, received in office on August 29, 2011 with updated pages received on April 10, 2012 and find it acceptable for incorporation into New Jersey's Medicaid State Plan. This SPA removes existing state plan language for bed reserve payments in long term facilities.

Please note the approval date of this SPA is April 26, 2012 with an effective date of July 1, 2011. Copies of the approved State Plan pages and the signed CMS-179 are enclosed.

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Tara L. Porcher at (212) 616-2418.

Sincerely,

Michael Melende

Associate Regional Administrator

Division of Medicaid & Children's Health

Enclosures