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Ms. Beverly D. Mackereth, Secretary Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Office of Medical Assistance Programs PO Box 8046 Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: State Plan Amendment 13-025

Dear Ms. Mackereth:

We have completed our review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 13-025. This SPA modifies Attachment 4.19-D of Pennsylvania's Title XIX State Plan. Specifically, the amendment establishes a supplemental payment to county nursing facilities with an MA occupancy rate of at least 85%.

We conducted our review of this SPA according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), and 1903(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. We are approving Pennsylvania State plan amendment 13-016 effective September 15, 2013. We are enclosing the HCFA-179 and the amended plan pages.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please call Gary Knight at (304) 347-5723.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures