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February 13, 2012

Mr. Anthony E. Keck, Director South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Post Office Box 8206 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

Re: South Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #11-011

Dear Mr. Keck:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the South Carolina Medicaid State Plan SC 11-011 that was received in the Regional Office on July 14, 2011. This State plan amendment allows South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services to implement a second round of rate reductions by reducing various non-institutional provider payments ranging from two (2 percent) to seven (7 percent) of the rate in effect on April 4, 2011. These reductions are in addition to a three (3 percent) reduction taken on April 4, 2011.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment SC 11-011. This SPA was approved on February 10, 2012. The effective date of this amendment is July 11, 2011. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

If you have any questions, please contact Yvette Moore at 404-562-7327.

Sincerely,

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Associate Regional Administrator

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