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January 23, 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 #11-015

Dear Mr. Keck:

We have reviewed South Carolina's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 11-015, which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on July 14, 2011. South Carolina submitted the proposed State Plan Amendment to increase co-payments on the following services by \$1.00, effective July 11, 2011: Physician, Optometrist, Nurse Practitioners, Licensed Midwives, Ambulatory Surgical Clinic, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health, and Rural Health Clinic Services. The Public Notice published in June did not specify the cost sharing paid to nurse practitioners and midwife services. It is our understanding that the State will make appropriate adjustments in any case where an appeal is submitted which relates to cost sharing paid, or provider reimbursement being reduced for nurse practitioner or midwife services received between the effective date of the SPA and the clarified notice published on November 11, 2011.

Based on the information provided, we would like to inform you that South Carolina SPA 11-015 was approved on January 17, 2012. The effective date is July 11, 2011. The signed CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Tandra Hodges at (404) 562-7409.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jackie Glaze'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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

Enclosures