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## DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

January 28, 2013

Darin Gordon, Director Bureau of TennCare 310 Great Circle Road Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Tennessee Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal # 12-001

Dear Mr. Gordon:

We have reviewed Tennessee State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-001 which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on March 30, 2012. This amendment assures that Tennessee is in compliance with 42 CFR §455, Subpart E concerning screening and enrollment of Medicaid providers.

After the state's response to a formal request for additional information, issued on June 19, 2012, and based on the information provided by the state, CMS approved this SPA on January 28, 2013. This SPA is approved with the acknowledgement of TennCare that when final guidance concerning required criminal background checks and fingerprinting is issued, the state will submit an additional SPA to come into compliance with final regulations. The effective date of this SPA is April 1, 2012.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Kenni Howard at (404) 562-7413.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

**Enclosures**