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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health, Region VI

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Our Reference: SPA TX 12-021

Mr. Billy Millwee
Deputy Executive Commissioner for Health Services
Health and Human Services Commission
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Dear Mr. Millwee:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Texas State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 12-021, dated March 30, 2012. This state plan amendment requests a time limited exception in order to complete the procurement process for a Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) program contract. This process is to be completed by June 1, 2012.

Based on the information submitted, we have approved the amendment for incorporation into the official Texas State Plan with an effective date change of January 1, 2012. A copy of the CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed with this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley at (214) 767-6278.

Sincerely,

Bill Brooks Associate Regional Administrator

cc: Emily Zalkovsky, Policy Development Support