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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH - REGION VI

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Our Reference: SPA TX 12-034

Ms. Kay Ghahremani State Medicaid/CHIP Director Health and Human Services Commission Post Office Box 13247 Mail Code H100 Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Ms. Ghahremani:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Texas State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 12-034, dated August 9, 2012. This state plan amendment updates the fee schedule for birthing centers and removes outdated language.

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

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

Sincerely,

Bill Brooks Associate Regional Administrator

cc: Emily Zalkovsky, Policy Development Support