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Dear Ms. Jones:

We have reviewed State Plan Amendment (SPA) 11-08, in which the State establishes supplemental payments for services provided by physicians at Virginia freestanding children's hospitals with greater than 50 percent Medicaid inpatient utilization in state fiscal year 2009 for furnished services provided on or after July 1, 2011. The SPA also eliminates the 4 percent reduction for all procedures set through the resource-based relative value scale (RBRVS) process effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2011. Additionally, the SPA adds information for calculating the physician supplemental payment amounts using the Medicare equivalent of the average commercial rate (ACR) methodology prescribed by CMS.

This SPA is acceptable. Therefore, we are approving SPA 11-08 with an effective date of July 1, 2011. Enclosed are the approved SPA pages and signed CMS-179 form.

If you have further questions about this SPA, please contact Margaret Kosherzenko at (215) 861-4288.

Sincerely,

Francis McCullough

Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures