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April 23, 2010

Ms. Carol A. Herrmann-Steckel, MPH Commissioner Alabama Medicaid Agency 501 Dexter Avenue Post Office Box 5624 Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624

Re: Alabama Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-002

Dear Ms. Herrmann-Steckel:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Alabama Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 10-002. This amendment changes ambulance transport reimbursement methodology for QMB eligibles. Medicaid will pay the Medicare Part B deductible and coinsurance to the extent of the lesser of the level of reimbursement under Medicare rules and allowances or total reimbursement allowed by Medicaid less Medicare payment.

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that Medicaid State Plan Amendment 10-002 was approved on April 22, 2010 . The effective date for this amendment is May 14, 2010. We are also enclosing the approved HCFA-179 and plan pages.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Maria Donatto at (404) 562-3697.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosures