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## DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

June 24, 2013

Ms. Stephanie Azar, Acting Commissioner Alabama Medicaid Agency 501 Dexter Avenue Post Office Box 5624 Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624

Attention: Stephanie Lindsay

Re: Alabama Title XIX State Plan Amendment, AL-13-003

Dear Ms. Azar:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Atlanta Regional Office has completed its review of Alabama State Plan Amendment, 13-003. This amendment will grant the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) employees, working in Health Departments and/or Customer Service Centers the authority to determine Medicaid eligibility for mandatory and optional coverage groups.

Based on the information provided, we are approving Alabama State Plan Amendment 13-003 as of June 24, 2013. The effective date is April 1, 2013. The signed HCFA-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed.

Existing regulations at 42 CFR 431.10(d) require the state to provide written agreements between the Medicaid agency and other state agencies that determine eligibility for Medicaid, stating the relationship and respective responsibilities of the agencies. We expect the state to have such a written agreement with the ADPH in place.

If you have any questions concerning this amendment or require further assistance, please contact Melanie Johnson at (404) 562-0151.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

**Enclosures**