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Dear Ms. Arcangel:

I am writing to inform you that Guam's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 10-002B, updating Guam Medicaid's reimbursement methodology for outpatient services, has been approved effective January 1st, 2011.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services reviewed the SPA submission, and determined that the amended reimbursement methodology outlined in Attachment 4.19-B of Guam's State Plan conforms with the necessary regulations of 42 CFR 447, Subparts B and F.

As a result of this decision, Guam may now reimburse providers according to their updated methodology, effective January 1, 2011. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Schenck at (415) 744-3589, or tom.schenck@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mary Rydell, CMS Pacific Area Representative