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Ms. Beverly D. Mackereth
Acting Secretary of Public Welfare
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Office of Medical Assistance Programs
Bureau of Policy, Analysis and Planning
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Dear Ms. Mackereth:

We have reviewed Pennsylvania State Plan Amendment (SPA) 13-009, changes in the prior authorization policy for pharmacy services, received in the Regional Office on May 21, 2013. This amendment proposed to add H.P. Acthar Gel to the list of drugs requiring prior authorization.

We are pleased to inform you that the amendment is approved, effective June 3, 2013. A copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as the pages approved for incorporation into the Pennsylvania state plan, will be forwarded by the Philadelphia Regional Office. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Jessica Walker at 410-786-2457.

Sincerely,

/s/

Larry Reed
Director
Division of Pharmacy

cc: Francis McCullough, ARA, Philadelphia Regional Office
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