

DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

June 10, 2013

Mr. Anthony E. Keck Director SC Department of Health and Human Services Post Office Box 8206 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

Attention: Sheila Chavis

RE: Title XIX State Plan Amendment, SC 13-001

Dear Mr. Keck:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment, SC 13-001, which was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on March 28, 2013. This state plan amendment allows primary care physicians that practice in family medicine, general internal medicine, pediatric medicine, and related subspecialists to receive increased payments for certain primary care services and vaccine administration in calendar years 2013 and 2014. This amendment is in compliance with the requirements of Section1202 of the Affordable Care Act.

Based on the information provided, the Medicaid State Plan Amendment SC 13-001 was approved on June 10, 2013. The effective date of this amendment is January 1, 2013. We are enclosing the approved HCFA-179 and the plan pages.

As we are working in partnership to implement this important provision, we would greatly appreciate if you can inform us when your state begins to pay the increased rates to your providers. Additionally, to the extent you have information regarding the number of providers receiving the enhanced payments; we would appreciate that information as well.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Cheryl Wigfall at (803) 252-7299 or <u>Cheryl.Wigfall@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

/s/

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