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Ms. Estelle B. Richman, Secretary
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RE: State Plan Amendment 09-006

Dear Ms. Richman:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to Attachment 4.19-A of your Medicaid State plan submitted under transmittal number (TN) 09-006. This amendment specifies the qualifying criteria and funding amounts Pennsylvania uses to determine disproportionate share adjustment (DSH) payments to certain qualifying hospitals with burn centers. These DSH payments are made to assure the availability and coordination of burn care to Pennsylvania's Medicaid population.

We conducted our review of this amendment according to the statutory requirements at sections 1902(a)(3), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), 1903(a) and 1923 of the Social Security Act and the regulations at 42 CFR 447 Subpart C. I am pleased to inform you that Medicaid State plan amendment 09-006 is approved effective April 1, 2009. I have enclosed the approved HCFA-179 and amended state plan pages.

If you have any questions, please call Keith Leuschner on (717) 782-4967.

Sincerely,

/S/

Cindy Mann
Director
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