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**Region VIII**

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Joan Henneberry, Executive Director  
Medical Assistance Office  
Department of Health Care Policy and Financing  
1570 Grant Street  
Denver, CO 80203

RE: Colorado #10-031

Dear Ms. Henneberry:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 10-031. This SPA will reduce reimbursement for outpatient substance abuse services by 1% as mandated by the Colorado Legislature.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment is approved effective July 1, 2010. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page.

If you have any questions concerning this amendment, please contact Diane Dunstan-Murphy at (303) 844-7040.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard C. Allen  
Associate Regional Administrator  
Division for Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

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