

January 16, 2004

Mr. Mike Robinson, Commissioner
Department for Medicaid Services
Cabinet for Health Services
Commonwealth of Kentucky
Frankfort, KY 40621-0001

Dear Mr. Robinson:

We are pleased to inform you that your State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) State plan amendment submitted October 29, 2003, with additional information submitted on December 12, 2003, has been approved. This amendment revises the State plan to institute premiums of \$20 per family per month for families with incomes from 151 through 200 percent of the Federal poverty level. This amendment also revises the KCHIP performance goals.

Your title XXI project officer is Ms. Jennifer McGuigan Babcock. She is available to answer questions concerning this amendment and other SCHIP-related issues. Ms. Babcock's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Babcock and Mr. Hugh Webster, Acting Associate Regional Administrator in our Atlanta Regional Office. Mr. Webster's address is:

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If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Jean Sheil, Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and State Operations at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

/s/

Dennis G. Smith
Acting Administrator

cc: CMS Region IV, Atlanta