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Department of Health and Hospitals
Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Mr. Bill Brooks
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health
DHHS/Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
1301 Young Street, Room #833
Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr.  Brooks:

**Re: Louisiana Title XIX State Plan
Transmittal No. 13-24
Outpatient Hospitals-Public-Private Partnerships Supplemental Payments
(Lafayette)**

Please refer to the above proposed amendment submitted under transmittal number (TN) 13-24 with a proposed effective date of June 24, 2013. The purpose of this amendment is to implement supplemental Medicaid payments for outpatient hospital services provided by a non-state owned hospital participating in a public-private partnership CEA in Lafayette.

As a result of CMS disapproving similar State Plan amendments relative to public-private partnerships, the State has decided to withdraw this State Plan amendment. Therefore, we request that the State Plan amendment submitted as TN 13-24 be withdrawn from consideration.

Sincerely,

J. Ruth Kennedy
Medicaid Director

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