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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. 14-0031, Inpatient Hospital Services-Reimbursement
Methodology**

Please refer to the above proposed amendment submitted under transmittal number (TN) 14-0031 with an effective date of July 20, 2014. This SPA proposed to amend the provisions governing inpatient hospital services in order to incorporate provisions governing graduate medical education payments.

During our review of the informal Request for Additional Information from CMS, we determined that the provisions of TN 14-0031 were included in the approved SPAs TN 12-06 (Attachment 4.19-A, Item 1, Page 1), TN 12-48 (Attachment 4.19A, Item 1, Page 1a), and TN 13-29 (Attachment 4.19A, Item 1, Page 7d). This language is correct and remains in the current State Plan; therefore, we are requesting that TN 14-0031 be withdrawn from consideration.

Sincerely,



I. Ruth Kennedy
Medicaid Director

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