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Anthony Keck, Director
South Carolina Dept. of Health & Human Services
1801 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. Keck:

Your request to amend South Carolina's Home and Community Based Waiver for children with Pervasive Developmental Disorders who meet ICF/MR level of care, as authorized under section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act has been approved. This waiver amendment has been assigned control number 0456.R01.02, which should be used in future correspondence. The waiver amendment is effective January 1, 2013.

The purpose of this amendment is to enhance qualifications and rates for line therapists providing early intensive behavioral intervention therapies; prioritize children who receive therapies through the state's Baby Net program to ensure waiver admission as they age out of Baby Net; update the quality assurance; and update Appendix J to reflect rate changes. CMS identified minor issues with the amendment request, and an informal request for additional information was issued to the state on January 3, 2013. In the state's response, all questions were fully answered and changes within the application were completed. The following utilization changes are noted for Years 4 and 5 of the waiver:

	Unduplicated Recipients	Community Costs	Institutional Costs	Total Waiver Costs
Year 4 (01/01/13 – 12/31/13)	932	\$37,737	\$95,985	\$30,167,908
Year 5 (01/01/14 – 12/31/14)	1025	\$38,328	\$98,865	\$33,618,975

We appreciate the effort and cooperation provided by your staff during our review of this amendment request. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Kenni Howard at (404) 562-7413.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jackie Glaze". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jackie Glaze
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

cc: Michele MacKenzie, CO