



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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William Hogan, Commissioner
Department of Health and Social Services
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RE: Approval of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number #09-001

Dear Mr. Hogan:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' (CMS) Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number #09-001. This transmittal is an annual adjustment to income eligibility standards for the QMB poverty guidelines in accordance with the published 2009 Federal Poverty Levels. This change is reflected in Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6-A, page 6.

This SPA is approved effective March 1, 2009.

If you need further information or assistance regarding this matter, please contact Maria Garza at maria.garza@cms.hhs.gov, or by telephone at (206) 615-2542.

Sincerely,

/s/

Barbara K. Richards
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