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William Hogan, Commissioner Department of Health and Social Services Post Office Box 110601 Juneau, Alaska 99811-0601

RE: Alaska State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number #09-005

Dear Mr. Hogan:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number #09-005. This amendment implements changes in deemed eligibility of children born to mothers covered by Medicaid for the date of the child's birth for a period of one year from birth, as required by section 113 of the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009. This change is reflected in Attachment 2.2-A pages 6 and 25.

This SPA is approved effective October 1, 2009.

If you have additional questions or require further assistance, please contact me or have your staff contact Maria Garza at (206) 615-2542 or Maria.Garza@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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