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William Hogan, Commissioner
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RE: Alaska State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 10-002

Dear Mr. Hogan:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 10-002. This amendment implements section 112 of MIPPA, which increases the resource standards for QMBs, SLMBs and QIs to conform to the resources limits for individuals who qualify for Medicare Part D Low-Income Subsidy (LIS).

The changes are reflected in Attachment 2.2-A, pages 9b, 9b.1, and Attachment 2.6-A, page 22.

This SPA is approved effective January 1, 2010.

If you have any additional questions or require any 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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