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May 18, 2010

Ms. Carol A. Herrmann-Steckel, MPH
Commissioner
Alabama Medicaid Agency
501 Dexter Avenue
Post Office Box 5624
Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5624

Re: Alabama Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-004

Dear Ms. Herrmann-Steckel:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Alabama Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 10-004. This State Plan Amendment will allow the exclusion of federal and state tax refunds and refundable tax credits as income and resources when determining eligibility for Medicaid for low-income families covered under Section 1931 of the Social Security Act.

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that Medicaid State Plan Amendment 10-004 was approved on May 14, 2010. The effective date for this amendment is April 1, 2010. We are also enclosing the approved HCFA-179 and plan pages.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Rita Nimmons at (404) 562-7415 or Sally Brown at (404) 562-7352.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jackie Glaze". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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

Enclosures

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
10-004

2. STATE
Alabama

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
April 1, 2010

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (*Check One*):

- NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (*Separate Transmittal for each amendment*)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:
1931 of the Act

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 10 \$0
b. FFY 11 \$0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Supplement 12 to Attachment 2.6-A Addendum

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (*If Applicable*):

Supplement 12 to Attachment 2.6-A Addendum

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

The exclusion of federal and state tax refunds and refundable tax credits as income and resources when determining eligibility for Medicaid for low-income families covered under Section 1931 of the Act.

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (*Check One*):

- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:
Governor's designee on file
via letter with CMS

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

Carol H. Steckel

13. TYPED NAME:

Carol H. Steckel

14. TITLE:

Commissioner

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

3/22/10

16. RETURN TO:

Carol H. Steckel
Commissioner
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FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED: 03/22/10

18. DATE APPROVED: 05/14/10

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

04/01/10

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

Jan Adams

21. TYPED NAME:

Jan
Jackie Glaze

22. TITLE: Acting Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Opns

23. REMARKS:

Revision:

AL-10-004
SUPPLEMENT 12 TO
ATTACHMENT 2.6-A
ADDENDUM

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: Alabama

ELIGIBILITY--UNDER SECTION 1931 OF THE ACT

X The agency uses less restrictive income and/or resource methodologies than those in effect as of July 16, 1996 as follows:

All wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employment related to Census 2000 activities are excluded

Federal and State tax refunds and refundable tax credits are excluded as income and resources for individuals eligible under 1931 authority.

X The income and/or resource methodologies that the less restrictive methodologies replace are as follows:

Wages paid by the Census Bureau for temporary employments were budgeted as countable income.

Federal and state tax refunds and refundable tax credits were countable income and resources.

TN No. AL-10-004

Supersedes

TN No. AL-00-01

Approval Date 05-14-10

Effective Date 04/01/2010