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Ms. Carol A. Herrmann-Steckel, MPH
Commissioner
Alabama Medicaid Agency
501 Dexter Avenue
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Re: Alabama Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-007

Dear Ms. Herrmann-Steckel:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Alabama Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 10-007. This State plan amendment is requesting to amend Attachment 2.2-A pages 9b, 9b1, and 9b2 of the Alabama State Plan for Medical Assistance. The purpose of this amendment is to align the resource limit for Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (QMBs), Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiaries (SLMBs), and Qualifying Individuals (QIs) with the resource limit for individuals who qualify for the full subsidy under the Medicare Part D Low-Income Subsidy program. This amendment will not have an impact on individuals applying for or receiving benefits under Alabama's Medicare Savings Programs, Indians and Indians health programs, or on the federal budget, because the Alabama Medicaid Agency does not consider resources when determining eligibility for these programs.

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that Medicaid State Plan Amendment 10-007 was approved on May 12, 2010. The effective date for this amendment is January 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,

Jackie Glaze
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Enclosures