

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
601 East 12th Street, Suite 235
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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

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Refer to:
DMCH: BC
IA SPA 09-013

Charles Krogmeier, Director
Department of Human Services
Hoover State Office Building
1305 East Walnut, 5th Floor
Des Moines, Iowa 50319 – 0119

Dear Mr. Krogmeier:

On September 28, 2009, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Iowa's state plan amendment (SPA), transmittal #09-013, which adds an exemption from estate recovery for costs covered by Long Term Care Insurance disregarded for determinations of eligibility; and begins reciprocity with other states agreeing to participate under reciprocity standards promulgated pursuant to Section 6021(b) of Public Law 109-171 effective Jan. 1, 2010.

Based upon the information received, we are pleased to inform you that SPA 09-013 is approved effective January 1, 2010. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form as well as the approved pages for incorporation into the Iowa State plan. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please call Barbara Cotterman at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jackie Glaze
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

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