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## Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

January 09, 2013

Charles M. Palmer, Director Department of Human Services Hoover State Office Building 1305 East Walnut, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0119

Dear Mr. Palmer:

On July 26, 2011, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Iowa's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #11-14, to add drug and alcohol counselors certified by the Iowa Board of Substance Abuse as a rehabilitation provider for both children and adults.

This SPA was approved on January 08, 2013, with an effective of August 1, 2011, as requested by the State.

Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form, as well as, the approved page for incorporation into the Iowa State plan.

I appreciate the significant amount of work that your staff dedicated to getting this SPA approved and the cooperative way in which we achieved this much-desired outcome. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact me at (816)426-5925 or have your staff contact Rhonda Wells or Sharon Taggart at (816) 426-5925 or Rhonda.Wells@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

/s/

James G. Scott Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Sally Nadolsky