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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

December 4, 2012

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

Dear Mr. Palmer:

On March 22, 2012, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received lowa's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #12-006, which proposes to rebase the outpatient hospital reimbursement rate effective January 1, 2012.

Based upon the information received, we are now ready to approve SPA #12-006 as of November 30, 2012, with an effective date of January 1, 2012, as requested by the State.

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 contact Narinder Singh at (816) 426-5925 or Narinder.Singh@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosure

cc: Jennifer Vermeer