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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

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

Dear Mr. Palmer:

On June 21, 2013, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Iowa's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #13-006, which revises language in the state plan for the Medicaid for Employed People with Disabilities (MEPD) eligibility group. The intent of this SPA is to disregard the annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) until the federal poverty level adjustments take place for the year, both in determining the income of an individual when determining financial eligibility under this group, and in determining the amount of premium, if any, to be paid by an individual determined eligible for Medicaid under this group.

Based upon the revisions received, we are now ready to approve SPA #13-006 as of September 13, 2013, with an effective date of April 1, 2013, 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. We want to thank your staff for their time and attention in providing revisions necessary to gain approval of this SPA. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Barbara Cotterman at (816) 426-5925 or Barbara.Cotterman@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosure

cc: Sally Oudekerk