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Richard Armstrong, Director
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RE: Idaho State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 11-012

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 11-012. This SPA changes coverage for adult beneficiaries by: (1) reducing chiropractic coverage from 24 visits per year to six visits per year; (2) limiting podiatry and vision coverage to chronic care situations; and (3) eliminating the audiology benefit. This SPA does not impact the coverage of these services for children.

During the review of Idaho SPA 11-012, CMS determined that multiple program and financial related pages (not directly related to the SPA request under review) require updating and/or revision to correctly describe the current operation of the State's Basic and Enhanced Benchmark Programs, or to comply with current CMS policy. Under separate cover, CMS will release a letter detailing those issues and provide guidance on timeframes for corrections.

This SPA is approved effective July 3, 2011, as requested by the State.

If you have additional questions or require further assistance, please contact me, or have your staff contact Tom Couch at (208) 334-9482 or email at Thomas.Couch@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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