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April 10, 2015

Marie Zimmerman
State Medicaid Director
Minnesota Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 64983
St. Paul, MN 55164-0983

Dear Ms. Zimmerman:

Enclosed for your records is an approved copy of the following State Plan Amendment:

Transmittal #14-002 - More Liberal Income Methods for the Medically Needy
Effective Date: April 1, 2014

This approval package is being reissued because the original letter and approved SPA page incorrectly identified the effective date as January 1, 2014 instead of April 1, 2014. The original approval letter was dated June 24, 2014 and that remains the approval date for this SPA. If you have any questions regarding this correction, please have a member of your staff contact Courtenay Savage at (312) 353-3721 or via e-mail at Courtenay.Savage@cms.hhs.gov.

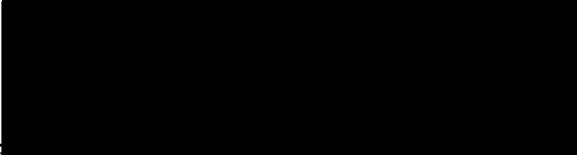
Sincerely,

/s/

Alan Freund
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Ann Berg, MDHS
Sean Barrett, MDHS
Pat Callaghan, MDHS

Enclosure

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTER FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: 14-02	2. STATE Minnesota
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR CENTER FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (<i>Check One</i>): <input type="checkbox"/> NEW STATE PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (<i>Separate Transmittal for each amendment</i>)		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE April 1, 2014	
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: 1902(a)(10)(C); 1902(r)(2)		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY '14: \$ 950,000 b. FFY '15: \$1,900,000	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Supplement 8a, page 5 to Attachment 2.6-A		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (<i>If Applicable</i>): Supplement 8a, page 5 to Attachment 2.6-A	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: More liberal income methods for medically needy			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (<i>Check One</i>): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL: 		16. RETURN TO: Ann Berg Minnesota Department of Human Services 540 Cedar Street, PO Box 64983 St. Paul, MN 55164-0983	
13. TYPED NAME: Ann Berg			
14. TITLE: Deputy Medicaid Director			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: April 28, 2014			
FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY			
17. DATE RECEIVED: April 28, 2014		18. DATE APPROVED: 6/24/14	
PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: 4/1/14		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: /s/	
21. TYPED NAME: Verlon Johnson		22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator	
23. REMARKS:			

POLICY	HOW POLICY IS MORE LIBERAL	GROUPS TO WHICH POLICY APPLIED
<p>Income disregard for categorically needy groups related to AFDC, and medically needy related to AFDC. Disregard the difference between the applicable income standard (Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6-A) and 100 <u>133</u> percent of the Federal poverty levels. Adjust annually on July 1.</p>	<p>AFDC applied a \$50 child support exclusion and a \$90 disregard of earned income. This income disregard replaces these two methods.</p>	<p>1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n). 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii). 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV), 1905(a)(i) and (a)(ii). 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1905(a)(i) 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III), 1905(a)(i), (a)(ii) and (a)(viii).</p>
<p>Earned income disregard for categorically needy groups and the medically needy related to AFDC and medically needy, pregnant women and children. Disregard 17 percent of earned income for four months for applicants or recipients.</p>	<p>AFDC had no similar disregard for applicants. This disregard applies to applicants and recipients.</p>	<p>1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n) 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I), 1905(a)(i) and (a)(ii). 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV), 1905(a)(i) and (a)(ii). 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII), 1905(a)(i) 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III), 1905(a)(i), (a)(ii), (a)(viii)</p>
<p>Income Disregard for certain poverty level children. Disregard the difference between the income standard and income up to 150 percent of poverty. Adjust annually on July 1.</p>	<p>AFDC applied a \$50 child support exclusion from income. This income disregard replaces this method.</p>	<p>Eligibility groups under the following sections of the Act</p> <p>1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI) 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII).</p>
<p><u>Disregard for children.</u> Disregard up to \$2000 annually in cash gifts received from tax-exempt organizations for the benefit of a child with a life-threatening illness.</p>	<p>AFDC has no such disregard.</p>	<p>Eligibility groups under the following sections of the Act:</p> <p>1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n)(2) 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV) 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI) 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII) 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(I) and 1905(a)(i) 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV) and 1905(a)(i) 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VIII) and 1905(a)(i) 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIV) and 1905(a)(i) 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III) and 1905(a)(i)</p>