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Ms. Vivianne M. Chaumont
Director
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ATTN: Patricia Taft

Dear Ms. Chaumont:

We are pleased to inform you that Nebraska State plan amendment (SPA) 09-01 is approved, effective October 1, 2009. Under this amendment, the State of Nebraska enters into the multi-state pooling supplemental rebate agreement for *The Optimal PDL Solution*. This SPA allows the State to negotiate supplemental rebates for outpatient prescription drugs to Nebraska's Medicaid beneficiaries using the SRA authorized by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Based upon the information provided, we believe this amendment is consistent with the objectives of the Medicaid program, is designed to increase the efficiency and economy of the Medicaid program and benefits Medicaid beneficiaries. Approval of Nebraska SPA 09-01 extends only to Nebraska's SRA and attachment templates submitted to CMS on May 1, 2009. If changes are subsequently made to the SRA or the attachment templates, a new SPA and any required documents should be submitted to CMS for review and authorization.

The Kansas City Regional Office will forward to you a copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as the page approved for incorporation into the Nebraska Medicaid State Plan. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Bernadette Leeds at (410) 786-9463.

Sincerely,

/s/

Larry Reed
Director
Division of Pharmacy

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