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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

April 3, 2013

Vivianne Chaumont, Director Department of Health & Human Services Division of Medicaid and Long Term Care 301 Centennial Mall S., 5th Floor PO Box 95026 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Ms. Chaumont:

On January 31, 2013, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Nebraska's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #13-03, which adds information to the state plan regarding Nebraska's use of a data match through the Public Assistance Reporting Information System, (PARIS). This was required in order to comply with Section 3 of the Qualifying Individual (QI) Program Supplemental Funding Act of 2008 (the QI Funding Act). The purpose of the data obtained through the PARIS system is to ensure that individuals enrolled in Medicaid are not receiving duplicate benefits based on simultaneous enrollment in the Medicaid program or other public benefit programs in another state.

SPA 13-03 was approved on April 2, 2013, with an effective date of January 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 Nebraska State Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Barbara Cotterman at (816) 426-5925 or <u>Barbara.Cotterman@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosure

cc: Catherine Gekas-Steeby