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Nicholas A. Toumpas, Commissioner  
Department of Health and Human Services  
State of New Hampshire  
129 Pleasant Street  
Concord, NH 03301

Re: New Hampshire SPA TN 13-005

Dear Commissioner Toumpas,

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved New Hampshire State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 13-005 with an effective date of January 1, 2013. This SPA transmitted a proposed amendment to your approved Title XIX State plan to ensure outpatient drug benefits are consistent with the requirements of Section 175 of the Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) amended sections 1860D-2(e)(2)(A) of the Act to include barbiturates used in the treatment of epilepsy, cancer, or a chronic mental health disorder and benzodiazepines in Part D drug coverage.

If there are questions, please contact Joyce Butterworth at (617) 565-1220 or by e-mail at [Joyce.Butterworth@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Joyce.Butterworth@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal  
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure/s

cc: Kathleen Dunn, State Medicaid Director  
Diane Peterson, Medicaid Business and Policy