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Mr. Michael Willden
Director
Department of Health and Human Services
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Dear Mr. Willden:

We have reviewed Nevada State Plan Amendment (SPA) 13-003, Prescribed Drugs, received in the Regional Office on March 28, 2013. This amendment proposes to exclude from coverage benzodiazepines for all conditions and barbiturates for the treatment of epilepsy, cancer and chronic mental health disorders for full benefit dual eligible as Medicare Part D will provide this coverage.

We are pleased to inform you that the amendment is approved, effective January 1, 2013. A copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as the pages approved for incorporation into the Nevada state plan, will be forwarded by the San Francisco Regional Office. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Lisa Ferrandi at (410) 786-5445.

Sincerely,

/s/

Larry Reed
Director
Division of Pharmacy

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