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*CENTERS for MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES*

**Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations / Boston Regional Office**

July 14, 2011

Steven M. Costantino, Secretary  
Executive Office of Health and Human Services  
57 Howard Avenue  
Louis Pasteur Building Bldg. #57  
Cranston, Rhode Island 02920

Dear Mr. Costantino:

We are pleased to enclose a copy of approved State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 11-004, Prohibition of Payments Outside the United States. This SPA implements Section 1902(a)(80) of the Social Security Act and Section 6505 of the Affordable Care Act P.L. 111-148 barring payments for services or items provided under the state plan or a waiver to a financial institution or entity outside of the United States. This SPA is approved effective April 1, 2011.

We appreciate the effort and cooperation provided by your office during our review of this request. Should you have any questions, please contact Lynn DeVecchio at (617) 565-1201.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard R. McGreal  
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Sandra Powell  
Elena Nicoletta

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL	
FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: <del>XXXX</del> 11-004
2. STATE R.I.	
3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE April 1, 2011	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One): <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 (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)	
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: Section 1902 (a)(80) of the Social Security Act, P.L. 111-148 (Section 6505)	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: \$0
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Section 4 - General Program Administration page 79Y	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): <del>Section 4 - General Program Administration</del> none
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: Prohibition of Payments Outside the U.S. provisions	
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One): <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED      see attached letter <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL	
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:  13. TYPED NAME: Sandra M. Powell	16. RETURN TO: Kimberly Merolla-Brito Chief Policy and Systems Specialist RI Department of Human Services Office of Policy Analysis, Research and Development Louis Pasteur Building 57 Howard Avenue, Fl # Cranston, RI 0292 Phone 401 462-623 Fax 401 462-616 <a href="mailto:kmerollabrito@ohhs.ri.gov">kmerollabrito@ohhs.ri.gov</a>
14. TITLE: Director, Department of Human Services	
15. DATE SUBMITTED: May 17, 2011	
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17. DATE RECEIVED: May 17, 2011	18. DATE APPROVED: July 14, 2011
PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED	
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: April 1, 2011	20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:
21. TYPED NAME: Richard R. McGreal	22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health

RI DHS consented to the typed (initialed) changes to this Form 179.

**Medicaid State Plan Preprint**

State: Rhode Island

**PROPOSED SECTION 4 - GENERAL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION**

4.44 Medicaid Prohibition on Payments to Institutions or Entities Located Outside of the United States

Citation

Section 1902(a)(80) of the Social Security Act, P.L. 111-148 (Section 6505)

\_X\_ The State shall not provide any payments for items or services provided under the State plan or under a waiver to any financial institution or entity located outside of the United States.

TN No. ~~11-004~~  
Supersedes  
TN No. NEW

Approval Date: July 14, 2011 Effective Date: 04/01/2011