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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

February 12, 2019

Susan Birch, Director
MaryAnne Lindeblad, Medicaid Director
Health Care Authority
PO Box 45502
Olympia, WA 98504-5010

RE: Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 18-0038

Dear Ms. Birch and Ms. Lindeblad:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number WA 18-0038. This amendment was submitted to comply with Section 1902(a)(68) of the Social Security Act.

This SPA is approved with an effective date of January 1, 2019.

If there are additional questions, please contact me or your staff may contact James Moreth at James.Moreth@cms.hhs.gov or (206) 615-2043.

Sincerely,

A large black rectangular box redacting the signature of David L. Meacham.

David L. Meacham
Associate Regional Administrator

Cc:
Ann Myers, SPA Coordinator

**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 SERVICES1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
18-00382. STATE
Washington3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
January 1, 20195. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (*Check One*):☐ NEW STATE PLAN☐ AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN☒ AMENDMENTCOMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (*Separate Transmittal for each amendment*)6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:
1902(a) of the Social Security Act7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2019 \$ 0
b. FFY 2020 \$ 0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

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9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (*If Applicable*):
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10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Mandatory Education Regarding False Claims Act

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (*Check One*):☐ GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT☐ COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED☐ NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL☒ OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Exempt

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:

MaryAnne Lindeblad

14. TITLE:

Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

12-28-18

16. RETURN TO:

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17. DATE RECEIVED:

12/28/18

18. DATE APPROVED:

2/12/19

PLAN APPROVED – ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

1/1/19

20. SIGNATURE

Digitally signed by David L. Meacham -S

21. TYPED NAME:

David L. Meacham

22. TITLE:

Associate Regional Administrator

Date: 2019.02.15 07:46:28 -08'00'

23. REMARKS:

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State WASHINGTON

**Employee Education Regarding False Claims Recovery
Methodology of Compliance Oversight**

Compliance, oversight, and enforcement

An entity that receives or makes annual medical assistance payments under the State Plan of at least \$5,000,000 must comply with the requirements of section 1902 of the Social Security Act in order to receive payments.

The State has implemented various monitoring processes for entities that receive Medicaid funds on or after September 1, 2007. During the normal cycle of monitoring payments of medical assistance under the State Plan, the State determines if an entity is required to comply with section 1902(a)(68) of the Act. If the entity is required to comply, the State will provide notice that the entity is subject to the requirements under section 1902(a)(68). The entity is responsible for submitting an attestation under penalty of perjury to the State to verify the entity has compliant written policies, and that they have been disseminated as required. The State may also obtain copies of an entity's written policies and proof of dissemination for review to verify the entity has complied with the requirements.

For those entities the State determines are not in compliance with section 1902(a)(68), the State may provide a warning for a reasonable period of time for the entity to become compliant, or the State may suspend or forfeit medical assistance payments until such time as an entity establishes with the State that it has become compliant.

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