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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

June 3, 2010

Refer to: DMCH: BC IA SPA 10-003

Charles Krogmeier, Director Department of Human Services Hoover State Office Building 1305 East Walnut, 5th Floor Des Moines, Iowa 50319 – 0119

Dear Mr. Krogmeier:

On March 18, 2010, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received lowa's state plan amendment (SPA), transmittal #10-003, to place reasonable limits on the amounts of incurred necessary medical and remedial care expenses which must be deducted from an institutionalized individual's income under the post eligibility treatment of income process. Specifically, the deduction of long term care expenses that were incurred as the result of the imposition of a transfer of assets penalty period is limited to zero.

Based upon revisions received, we are pleased to inform you that SPA 10-003 is approved effective March 1, 2010. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form as well as the approved page for incorporation into the Iowa State plan. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please call Barbara Cotterman at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

Leticia Barraza Acting Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

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