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Tom Betlach, Director
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Dear Mr. Betlach:

Enclosed is an approved copy of Arizona State Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 12-004. Under Section 1940 of the Social Security Act, States are required to implement an Asset Verification System (AVS) as part of the Medicaid eligibility determination and redetermination processes for the aged, blind, and disabled Medicaid applicants and recipients. This SPA adds Supplement 16 to Attachment 2.6-A to the State plan to define the requirements of the Asset Verification System (AVS).

The effective date of this SPA is September 30, 2012 as requested. Enclosed are the following approved State Plan pages to be incorporated within your approved State Plan:

- Supplement 16 to Attachment 2.6-A, pages 1-3

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Young by phone at (415) 744-3598 or by email at Cheryl.Young@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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