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Region III/Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

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Rosanne Mahaney, Director Division of Medicaid & Medical Assistance Delaware Health and Social Services 1901 N. DuPont Highway New Castle, Delaware 19720-0906

Dear Ms. Mahaney:

We have reviewed State Plan Amendment (SPA) 11-004, in which you propose to update Delaware's State Plan to exempt Medicare cost sharing benefits paid under the Medicare Savings Program from estate recovery. This SPA is acceptable. Therefore, we are approving SPA 11-004 with an effective date of July 1, 2011. Enclosed are the approved SPA pages and signed CMS-179 form.

If you have further questions about this SPA, please contact Melanie Benning at 215-861-4267.

Sincerely,

Ted Gallagher Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures