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March 17, 2011

Mr. Jerry Dubberly, Chief
Medical Assistance Plans
Georgia Department of Community Health
2 Peachtree Street, NW, 40th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303-3159

Re: Georgia Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-018

Dear Mr. Dubberly:

We have reviewed the proposed Georgia Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 10-018 that was submitted to the Atlanta Regional Office on December 28, 2010. This State Plan Amendment addresses the requirements regarding Estate Recovery per Section 115 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) by encouraging dual eligible beneficiaries to fully utilize Medicare cost-sharing benefits available through the Medicare Savings Program.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Georgia State Plan Amendment 10-018. This SPA was approved on March 16, 2011. The effective date of this amendment is October 1, 2010. The signed HCFA-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Rita Nimmons at (404) 562-7415.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jackie Glaze
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures