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Charles M. Palmer, Director
Department of Human Services
Hoover State Office Building
1305 East Walnut, 5th Floor
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0119

Dear Mr. Palmer:

On March 31, 2011, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Iowa's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #11-004, which proposes to amend outpatient hospital reimbursement methodology for IHS providers effective January 1, 2011.

Based upon the information received, we are now ready to approve SPA #11-004 as of November 2, 2011, with an effective date of January 1, 2011, as requested by the State. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as, the approved pages for incorporation into the Iowa State plan.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Narinder Singh at (816) 426-5925 or Narinder.Singh@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

James G. Scott
Associate Regional Administrator
for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

cc: Jennifer Vermeer