

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
601 East 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 235  
Kansas City, Missouri 64106



**Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations**

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April 8, 2011

Refer to:  
DMCH: SL  
IA SPA 11-009

Charles M. Palmer, Director  
Department of Human Services  
Hoover State Office Building  
1305 East Walnut, 5<sup>th</sup> 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 #11-009 through which the State is attesting compliance with Section 1902(a) (80) of the Social Security Act, P.L. 111-148 (Section 6505). This amendment prohibits payments for items or services provided under the State plan or State waiver to any financial institution or entity located outside of the United States.

Based upon the information received, CMS approves SPA #11-009 on April 7, 2011, with an effective date of June 1, 2011. 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 contact Sandra Levels at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosure

cc: Jennifer Vermeer  
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