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## **Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services Disabled and Elderly Health Programs**

August 2, 2012

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

Attention: Jennifer H. Vermeer

Dear Mr. Palmer:

We have reviewed Iowa State plan amendment (SPA) 11-016 received in the Kansas City Regional Office of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 12, 2011. Under this amendment, the State of Iowa proposes to increase the dispensing fee from \$4.34 to \$6.20 for Medicaid covered outpatient drugs. We are pleased to inform you that Iowa SPA 11-016 is approved, effective August 1, 2011.

The Kansas City Regional Office will forward to you a copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as the pages approved for incorporation into the Iowa Medicaid State Plan. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Bernadette Leeds at (410) 786-9463.

Sincerely,

/s/

Larry Reed Director Division of Pharmacy

cc: James Scott, ARA Kansas City Regional Office Narinder Singh, Kansas City Regional Office Alisa Horn, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise Susan Parker, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise