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

June 28, 2018

Michael Randol, Medicaid Director Division of Medical Services Department of Human Services Iowa Medicaid Enterprise 100 Army Post Road Des Moines, IA 50315

Dear Mr. Randol:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Kansas City Regional Office, has completed its review of Iowa State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number #18-011. This SPA was submitted on June 14, 2018, seeking a renewal of the exception to the Medicaid Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) Program in accordance with 42 §CFR 455.516.

CMS is granting the state an additional exception in accordance with 42 §CFR 455.516 until July 1, 2020. At this time it is not permissible to grant an exception to this policy indefinitely or beyond two (2) years.

SPA 18-011 was approved on June 28, 2018, with an effective date of July 1, 2018, 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 these state plan amendment, please contact Sandra Levels at Sandra.Levels@cms.hhs.gov or (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

6/28/2018

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

Signed by: James G. Scott -A

**Enclosures** 

cc:

Jerry Foxhoven, Director Jennifer Steenblock, IME Julie Lovelady, IME Kimberly Pierson, IME Alisa Horn, IME Sandra Levels, CMCHO

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### STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

# 4.5 Medicaid Recovery Audit Contractor Program

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Citation  Section 1902(a)(42)(B)(i) of the Social Security Act	The State has established a program under which it will contract with one or more recovery audit contractors (RACs) for the purpose of identifying underpayments and overpayments of Medicaid claims under the State plan and under any waiver of the State plan.
	X The State is seeking an exception to establishing such program for the following reasons:
	Under the state's predominately managed care delivery system, there is not sufficient fee-for-service claims volume to attract a RAC contractor.
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(I) of the Act	The State/Medicaid agency has contracts of the types(s) listed in section 1902(a)(42)(B)(ii)(I) of the Act. All contracts meet the requirements of the statute. RACs are consistent with the statute.
	Place a check mark to provide assurance of the following:
	The State will make payments to the RAC(s) only from amounts recovered.
	The State will make payments to the RAC(s) on a contingent basis for collecting overpayments.
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(II)(aa) of the Act	The following payments methodology shall be used to determine State payments to Medicaid RACs for identification and recovery of overpayments (e.g., the percentage of the contingency fee):
	The State attests that the contingency fee rate paid to the Medicaid RAC will not exceed the highest rate paid to Medicare RACs, as published in the Federal Register.
	The State attests that the contingency fee rate paid to the Medicaid RAC will exceed the highest rate paid to Medicare RACs, as published in the Federal Register. The State will only submit for FFP up to the amount equivalent to that published rate.

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# 4.5 Medicaid Recovery Audit Contractor Program (cont'd)

	The contingency fee rate paid to the Medicaid RAC that will exceed the highest rate paid to Medicare RACs, as published in the Federal Register. The State will submit a justification for that rate and will submit for FFP for the full amount of the contingency fee.
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(II)(bb) of the Act	The following payment methodology shall be used to determine State payments to Medicaid RACs for the identification of underpayments (e.g., amount of flat fee, the percentage of the contingency fee):
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(III) of the Act	The State has an adequate appeal process in place for entities to appeal any adverse determination made by the Medicaid RAC(s).
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(IV)(aa) of the Act	The State assures that the amounts expended by the State to carry out the program will be amounts expended as necessary for the proper and efficient administration of the State plan or a waiver of the plan.
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(IV)(bb) of the Act	The State assures that the recovered amounts will be subject to a State's quarterly expenditure estimates and funding of the State's share.
Section 1902 (a)(42)(B)(ii)(IV)(cc) of the Act	Efforts of the Medicaid RAC(s) will be coordinated with other contractors or entities performing audits of entities receiving payments under the State plan or waiver in the State, and/or State and Federal law enforcement entities and the CMS Medicaid Integrity Program.

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