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ATTN: Greg Wilson and Mark McCurdy

Dear Ms. Hamos:

Enclosed for your records is an approved copy of the following State Plan Amendment (SPA).

Transmittal #10-004 - Prohibit Estate Recovery for Mediare Cost Sharing Affecting Dual Eligibles, Age 55 Years and Over, in the Medicare Savings Program Under the Provisions of the Medicare Improvements for Patient and Providers Act of 2008.

--Effective Date: October 1, 2010

If you have any questions, please have a member of your staff contact Michelle Baldi at (312) 353-0909 or by email at Michelle.Baldi@cms.hhs.gov

Sincereiy,

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Enclosure