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February 9, 2011

Neville Wise, Acting Commissioner Department for Medicaid Services 275 East Main Street, 6W-A Frankfort, Kentucky 40621-0001

Re: Kentucky Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-013

Dear Mr. Wise:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Kentucky Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 10-013. This State Plan Amendment addresses the new requirements regarding Estate Recovery under section 1917(b)(1) of the Social Security Act by encouraging dual eligible beneficiaries to fully utilize Medicare cost-sharing benefits available through the Medicare Savings Program.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Kentucky Medicaid State Plan Amendment 10-013. The effective date for this amendment is October 1, 2010. We are also enclosing the approved HCFA-179 and plan pages.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Rita Nimmons at (404) 562-7415.

Sincerely,

/s/

Jackie Glaze Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures