



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

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September 20, 2012

JudyAnn Bigby, M.D., Secretary  
Executive Office of Health and Human Services  
One Ashburton Place, Room 1109  
Boston, MA 02108

Dear Dr. Bigby:

We have reviewed Massachusetts State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-005 received in the Boston Regional Office on June 26, 2012. This amendment updates the terms upon which the state intends to collect supplemental rebates from drug manufacturers. Changes to the state-Specific Supplemental Rebate Agreement (SRA) include the addition and modification to definitions within the SRA; revisions to the state and drug manufacturer obligations; and modifications to the terms and termination of the SRA. We are pleased to inform you that the amendment is approved, effective May 26, 2012.

Based upon the information provided, we believe this amendment is consistent with the objectives of the Medicaid program, is designed to increase the efficiency and economy of the Medicaid program and benefits Medicaid beneficiaries. Approval of Massachusetts SPA 12-05 extends only to the Massachusetts SRA and attachment templates submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on June 26, 2012. These revised SRA documents will replace the current SRA packet submitted to CMS on December 20, 2007. If changes are subsequently made to the SRA or its attachments, a new SPA and any required documents should be submitted to CMS for review and authorization.

A copy of the HCFA-179 form, as well as the pages approved for incorporation into the Massachusetts state plan, will be forwarded by the Boston Regional Office. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Wendy Tuttle at (410) 786-8690.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Division of Pharmacy

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