



Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

June 28, 2012

Brian Kinkade, Interim Director
Missouri Department of Social Services
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P.O. Box 1527
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Dear Mr. Kinkade:

On June 15, 2011, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Missouri's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #11-04, which provides for smoking cessation program services covered for all participants who smoke when prescribed by a physician or health care professional with prescribing authority including smoking cessation products with behavioral intervention services provided by a wide range of healthcare provider specialties. This SPA implements section 4107 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to provide Medicaid coverage of comprehensive tobacco cessation services for pregnant women.

This SPA was approved on June 26, 2012, with an effective date of April 1, 2011, as requested by the State. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form, as well as, the approved page for incorporation into the Missouri State plan.

I appreciate the significant amount of work that your staff dedicated to getting this SPA approved and the cooperative way in which we achieved this much-desired outcome. If you have any questions concerning this SPA, please contact me at (816)426-5925 or have your staff contact Rhonda Wells or Debbie Read at (816) 426-5925 or Rhonda.Wells@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

Leticia Barraza
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for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

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