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Dr. Robert Robinson, Executive Director Division of Medicaid, Office of the Govenor 550 High Street – Suite 1000 Walter Sillers Building Jackson, MS 39201

Re: Mississippi Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #11-001

Dear Dr. Robinson:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the Mississippi Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 11-001. This State Plan Amendment addresses the requirements regarding Estate Recovery per Section 115 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008 (MIPPA) 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 Mississippi Medicaid State Plan Amendment 11-001. This SPA was approved on March 28, 2011. The effective date for this amendment is January 1, 2011. 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