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Attention: Teresa Smith

RE: North Carolina Title XIX State Plan Amendment, Transmittal #10-010

Dear Dr. Gray:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the North Carolina Medicaid State Plan that was submitted under transmittal number 10-010 and received in the Regional Office on March 19, 2010. This amendment impacts the State's Medicare Savings Program (MSP). Specifically, this amendment will increase the resource limits for the following programs to three times the SSI resource limit, adjusted annually since 1996 by the increase in the consumer price index:

- Qualified Medicare Beneficiary (QMB), Section 1902(a)(10)(E)(i) of the Social Security Act:
- Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLMB), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii) of the Act, and
- Qualifying Individuals (QI), 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv) of the Act

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that Medicaid State Plan Amendment 10-010 was approved on June 17, 2010. The effective date of this amendment is January 1, 2010. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan page.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please contact Sally Brown at (404) 562-7352, or Elaine Elmore at (404) 562-7408.

Sincerely,

/s/

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