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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

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Vivianne Chaumont, Director Department of Health & Human Services Division of Medicaid and Long Term Care 301 Centennial Mall S., 5th Floor PO Box 95026 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Ms. Chaumont:

On September 16, 2009, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Nebraska's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #09-08, which proposes to implement an average of 1.5% increase in the fee schedule for a number of services.

This SPA 09-008 was approved on June 16, 2011 with an effective date of July 1, 2009 as requested by the State. However, during the review of SPA 09-008, CMS performed an analysis of the coverage and reimbursement provisions that correspond to the impacted services. This analysis revealed issues that will require additional information and/or possible revision through a corrective action plan. Under separate cover, CMS will release a letter detailing those issues, and providing guidance on timeframes for correction. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as, the approved pages for incorporation into the Nebraska State plan.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Narinder Singh at (816) 426-5925 or Narinder.Singh@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely

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Enclosure

CC:

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