

Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

July 8, 2010

Refer to: DMCH: RED NE SPA 10-09

Kerry Winterer Chief Executive Officer Department of Health & Human Services 301 Centennial Mall South, 3rd Floor P.O. Box 95026 Lincoln, NE 68509-5026

Dear Mr. Winterer:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed its review of Nebraska State Plan Amendment (SPA) 10-09 which revises the methodology for payment of Medicare Part A coinsurance for nursing facility services.

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that SPA 10-09 is approved with the requested effective date of July 1, 2010. 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 call Rebecca Dillender at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

Leticia Barraza Acting Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

cc: Vivianne Chaumont Cindy Kadavy Pat Taft