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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

November 30, 2010

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) 10-16 which updates the section of the state plan regarding post-eligibility calculations to the most current preprint, removes outdated language regarding the personal needs allowance for Veterans receiving a reduced pension, and makes technical corrections to indicate that individuals under age 19 eligible under 42 CFR 435.222 and AFDC related children and adults also receive the \$50 personal needs allowance.

Based on the revisions received, CMS approves SPA 10-16 on November 23, 2010 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 Barbara Cotterman at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

James G. Scott Associate Regional Administrator for Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

Enclosure

cc: Vivianne Chaumont

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