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Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

March 7, 2012

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 August 10, 2011, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Nebraska's State Plan Amendment (SPA) transmittal #11-025, which proposes to reduce the fee schedule rates for clinical laboratory services by 2.5% with a proposed effective date of July 1, 2011.

This SPA 11-025 was approved on March 6, 2012 with an effective date of July 1, 2011 as requested by the State. 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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