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**Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations**

March 19, 2012

Vivianne M. Chaumont, Director  
Department of Health and Human Services  
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Dear Ms. Chaumont:

On December 30, 2011, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Nebraska's State Plan Amendment (SPA), transmittal #11-32 through which the State is attesting compliance with Section 4107 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Affordable Care Act), P.L. 111-148. This amendment provides for Medicaid coverage of comprehensive tobacco cessation services for pregnant women, including both counseling and pharmacotherapy, without cost sharing. This provision was effective July 1, 2011.

Based upon the information received, CMS approved SPA #11-32 on March 19, 2012, with an effective date of October 1, 2011. Enclosed is a copy of the CMS 179 form, as well as, the approved pages for incorporation into the Nebraska Medicaid State plan. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Sandra Levels at [Sandra.Levels@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Sandra.Levels@cms.hhs.gov) or (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James G. Scott". The signature is written over the word "Sincerely," and extends to the right.

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

Enclosure

cc: Margaret Brockman