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Vivianne Chaumont, Director
Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services
Division of Medicaid & Long Term Care
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Dear Ms. Chaumont:

On April 11, 2012, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Nebraska's State Plan Amendment (SPA) for PACE, transmittal # 12-04, which is a voluntary managed care program for persons age 55 and older. This PACE program will provide additional long-term care options for eligible individuals, age 55 and older, by offering a comprehensive array of Medicare & Medicaid institutional and community-based services for those who meet a nursing facility level of care and live in the designated service area of a PACE provider. These PACE services include: primary care, physician and nursing services, social services, social restorative therapies, physical and occupational therapy, personal care and supportive services, nutritional counseling, recreational therapy, and meals. PACE provider organizations assume financial risk for the full range of preventive, primary, acute, and long-term care services.

Based on the information provided, this SPA is approved as of October 24, 2012, with an effective date of February 1, 2013 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 call Sandra Levels at (816) 426-5925.

Sincerely,

/s/

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

Enclosure

cc: Nancy Keller
Julie Docter