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Michael J. Willden, Director Department of Health and Human Services 4126 Technology Way, Room 100 Carson City, Nevada 89706-2009

Dear Mr. Willden:

Enclosed is an approved copy of Nevada State Plan Amendment (SPA) Number 10-011. This SPA, effective October 1, 2010, prohibits the estate recovery of Medicare cost sharing benefits for dual eligible beneficiaries age 55 and over.

If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Nanes at (415) 744-2977 or at Cynthia.Nanes@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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