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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Atlanta Regional Office
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DIVISION OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH OPERATIONS

May 1, 2014

Mr. Anthony E. Keck
Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS)
Post Office Box 8206
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

Attention: Sheila Chavis

RE: Title XIX State Plan Amendment, SC 14-009

Dear Mr. Keck:

This is to affirm approval of the above referenced State Plan Amendment which was submitted to the Regional Office on March 28, 2014. The State's requested effective date of January 1, 2014 has been accepted.

Enclosed for your records are:

1. a copy of the approval letter dated April 29, 2014 that was submitted to the State by Joseph Fine, Acting Division of Pharmacy;
2. the original signed 179; and
3. the approved plan page.

If you have any additional questions regarding this amendment, please contact Maria Drake, State Coordinator for South Carolina, at 404-562-3697.

Sincerely,

//s//

Jackie Glaze
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

Enclosures

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Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S2-14-26
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Disabled & Elderly Health Programs Group

APR 29 2014

Anthony E. Keck
Director
South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
P.O. Box 8206
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

Dear Mr. Keck:

We have reviewed the South Carolina State Plan Amendment (SPA) 14-009 received in the Atlanta Regional Office on March 28, 2014. This amendment proposes to remove barbiturates, benzodiazepines, and agents used to promote smoking cessation from the list of drugs the state Medicaid program may exclude from coverage or otherwise restrict in order to comply with the requirements of Section 2502(a) of the Affordable Care Act.

Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that consistent with the regulations at 42 CFR 430.20, South Carolina SPA 14-009 is approved with an effective January 1, 2014. A copy of the signed CMS-179 form, as revised, as well as the pages approved for incorporation into the South Carolina state plan will be forwarded by the Atlanta Regional Office. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Bernadette Leeds at (410) 786-9463.

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Sincerely,

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Joseph Fine
Acting Director
Division of Pharmacy

cc: Jackie Glaze, ARA, Atlanta Regional Office
Maria Drake, Atlanta Regional Office
Sheila Chavis, South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
14-009

2. STATE
South Carolina

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
January 1, 2014

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):

- NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:
1927(d)(2) and 1927(d)(7)

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2014 \$0.00
b. FFY 2015 \$0.00

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Attachment 3.1.A.1, Page 3

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):

Attachment 3.1.A.1, Page 3

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

This plan amendment removes barbiturates, benzodiazepines, and smoking cessation medications from the list of potentially excluded drugs listed in Attachment 3.1.A.1 of the Medicaid State Plan. Note that South Carolina currently provides coverage for barbiturates, benzodiazepines, and smoking cessation medications, so this SPA results in no change in the coverage of these medications.

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:

Mr. Keck was designated by the Governor to review and approve all State Plans

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

//s//

13. TYPED NAME:

Anthony E Keck

14. TITLE:

Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED: 03/27/14

16. RETURN TO:

South Carolina Department of Health Human Services
Post Office Box 8206
Columbia, SC 29202-8206

FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY

17. DATE RECEIVED:

03-28-14

18. DATE APPROVED: 04-29-14

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

01/01/14

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

//s//

21. TYPED NAME:

Jackie Glaze

22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children Health Opns

23. REMARKS:

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State Agency South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

**MEDICAID PROGRAM: REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO PAYMENT FOR COVERED OUTPATIENT
DRUGS FOR THE CATEGORICALLY NEEDY**

Citation (s)	Provision (s)
1927(d)(2) and 1935(d)(2)	<input type="checkbox"/> (g) covered outpatient drugs which the manufacturer seeks to require as a condition of sale that associated tests or monitoring services be purchased exclusively from the manufacturer or its designee (see specific drug categories below) (The Medicaid agency lists specific category of drugs below) (a) South Carolina Medicaid will only cover lipase inhibitors (e) All categories of rebateable vitamins and mineral products, including prenatal vitamins and fluoride (f) Over the counter (OTC) drugs that are in the Medicaid drug rebate program and correspond to the covered legend drugs in (e)

 No excluded drugs are covered.