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2201 Sixth Avenue, MS/RX 43
Seattle, Washington 98121

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Susan Dreyfus, Secretary
Department of Social and Health Services
Post Office Box 45010
Olympia, Washington 98504-5010

RE: Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 10-006

Dear Ms. Dreyfus:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 10-006. This amendment provides the State the option to offer premium assistance to children under age 19, who are eligible for Medicaid, and who have access to qualified employer-sponsored coverage pursuant to Section 301(b) of Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA). This change is reflected on page 29d of the Medicaid State plan.

This SPA is approved effective April 1, 2010.

If you have any additional questions or require any further assistance, please contact me, or have your staff contact Janice Adams at (206) 615-2541 or via email at janice.adams@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Carol J.C. Peverly
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health
Operations

cc:

Douglas Porter, Assistant Secretary, Health and Recovery Services Administration
Ann Myers, State Plan Coordinator, Health and Recovery Services Administration

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

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
10-006

2. STATE
Washington

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:
~~Jan. 1, 2010~~ 4/01/2010 (P&I)

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:
1906A

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2010 \$ 0
b. FFY 2011 \$ 0

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:
Numbered page 29d

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):
Numbered page 29d

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:
Employer Sponsored Insurance

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: Exempt

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME: Susan N. Dreyfus
14. TITLE: Secretary

16. RETURN TO:
Ann Myers
Department of Social and Health Services
Health and Recovery Services Administration
626 8th Ave SE MS: 45504
Olympia, WA 98504-5504

15. DATE SUBMITTED: 5/16/10

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17. DATE RECEIVED: **MAY 19 2010**

18. DATE APPROVED: **JULY 02 2010**

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:
APRIL 01 2010

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

21. TYPED NAME: **Carol JC Pevery**

22. TITLE: **Associate Regional Administrator**

23. REMARKS:
5/19/2010 State authorized pen and ink changes to effective date.

**Division of Medicaid &
Children's Health**

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

State WASHINGTON

Citation	Condition or Requirement
1906 of the Act	(c) <u>Premiums, Deductibles, Coinsurance and Other Cost Sharing Obligations</u> The Medicaid agency pays all premiums, deductibles, coinsurance and other cost sharing obligations for items and services covered under the State plan (subject to any nominal Medicaid copayment) for eligible individuals in employer-based cost-effective group health plans.
1906A of the Act	(c)-1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Medicaid agency pays all premiums, deductibles, coinsurance and other cost sharing obligations for items and services covered under the State plan, as specified in the qualified employer-sponsored coverage, without regard to limitations specified in section 1916 or section 1916A of the Act, for eligible individuals under age 19 who have access to and elect to enroll in such coverage. The eligible individual is entitled to services covered by the State plan which are not included in the employer-sponsored coverage. For qualified employer-sponsored coverage, the employer must contribute at least 40 percent of the premium cost. When coverage for eligible family members under age 19 is not possible unless an ineligible parent enrolls, the Medicaid agency pays premiums for enrollment of the ineligible parent, and, at the parent's option, other ineligible family members. The agency also pays deductibles, coinsurance and other cost sharing obligations for items and services covered under the State plan for the ineligible parent.
1902(a)(10)(F) of the Act	(d) / / The Medicaid agency pays premiums for individuals described in item 19 of Attachment 2.2-A.