

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S2-14-26  
Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850



## **Disabled & Elderly Health Programs Group**

---

May 22, 2013

Brett Davis, Administrator and Medicaid Director  
Division of Health Care Access and Accountability  
Wisconsin Department of Health Services  
1 West Wilson Street  
P.O. Box 309  
Madison, Wisconsin 53701-0309

Dear Mr. Davis:

We have reviewed the Wisconsin State Plan Amendment (SPA) 13-002 received in the Chicago Regional Office on March 26, 2013. The State of Wisconsin proposes to discontinue covering claims for dual eligible beneficiaries when prescribed barbiturates for the treatment of epilepsy, cancer or a chronic mental health disorder and benzodiazepines for all indications as Medicare Part D will provide this coverage effective January 1, 2013. Based on the information provided, we are pleased to inform you that SPA 13-002 is approved with an effective date of January 1, 2013.

A copy of the CMS-179 form, as well as the pages approved for incorporation into the state plan will be forwarded by the Chicago Regional Office. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Madlyn Kruh at (410) 786-3239.

Sincerely,

/ s /

Larry Reed  
Director  
Division of Pharmacy

cc: Verlon Johnson, ARA, Chicago Regional Office  
Charles Friedrich, Chicago Regional Office  
Al Matano, Wisconsin Department of Health Services