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Anthony D. Rodgers, Director
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801 E. Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85034

Dear Mr. Rodgers:

Enclosed is an approved copy of Arizona State plan amendment (SPA) 04-004, regarding automatic assignment to the State of the rights to payment from third parties for medical care. I am approving this SPA with the requested effective date of April 1, 2004.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Ronald Reepen at (415) 744-3601.

Sincerely,

Linda Minamoto
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health

Enclosure

cc:
Joan Peterson, CMS, CMSO, FCHPG
Elliot Weisman, CMS, CMSO, PCPG (two copies)

State Arizona

| Citation(s) | | Condition or Requirement |
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| | | An applicant or recipient must also cooperate in establishing the paternity of any eligible child and in obtaining medical support and payments for himself or herself and any other person who is eligible for Medicaid and on whose behalf the individual can make an assignment; except that individuals described in 1902(l)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (pregnant women and women in the post-partum period) are exempt from these requirements involving paternity and obtaining support. Any individual may be exempt from the cooperation requirements by demonstrating good cause for refusing to cooperate.<br><br>An applicant or recipient must also cooperate in identifying any third party who may be liable to pay for care that is covered under the State plan and providing information to assist in pursuing these third parties. Any individual may be exempt from the cooperation requirements by demonstrating good cause for refusing to cooperate.<br><br>/X/ Assignment of rights is automatic because of State law. |
| 42 CFR 435.910 | 7. | Is required, as a condition of eligibility, to furnish his/her social security account number (or numbers, if he/she has more than one number). Exception, aliens seeking medical assistance for the treatment of an emergency medical condition under Section 1903(v)(2) of the Social Security Act (Section 1137(f)). |