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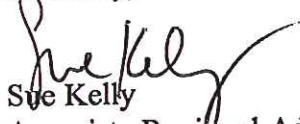
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Dear Dr. Matos:

We have completed our review of Puerto Rico's State Plan Amendment submittal 07-01, "Less Restrictive Methods for Treating Income", and find it acceptable for incorporation into Puerto Rico's Medicaid Plan, effective January 1, 2007. Enclosed please find copies of Plan Amendment 07-01 and form HCFA-179.

If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Ryan at 212-616-2436.

Sincerely,



Sue Kelly
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER: <u>01-01</u>	2. STATE: Puerto Rico
	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, 2007
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5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):

NEW STATE PLAN
 AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN
 AMENDMENT

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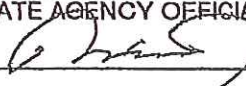
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: 1902(r)(2) of the Act	7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: a. FFY _____ \$ <u>N/A</u> b. FFY _____ \$ _____
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT: Supplement 8A to Attachment 2.6A1 Page 1 SEE REMARKS	9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable): N/A

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

LESS RESTRICTED METHODS FOR TREATING INCOME

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
 OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 Secretary of Health
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:



13. TYPED NAME:
Rosa Pérez Perdomo, MD, PHD, MPH

14. TITLE:
Secretary of Health-Commonwealth of PR

15. DATE SUBMITTED:
March 23, 2007

16. RETURN TO:

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TYPED NAME Sue Kelly	TITLE Associate Regional Administrator Division of Medicaid and SMI Operations
REMARKS: Puerto Rico's originally submitted page Supplement 8A to Attachment 2.6A1, Page 1, submitted on 3/26/07 was replaced with new page per state's e-mail May 01, 2007.	

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State Agency: COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO

**LESS RESTRICTIVE METHODS OF TREATING INCOME UNDER SECTION
1902 (r)(2) OF THE ACT**

Citation (s)	Provision (s)
1902(r)(2) of the Act	<p>For medically needy aged, blind and disabled individuals, Puerto Rico will disregard countable earned and unearned income equal to the difference between the income eligibility standard established under the Puerto Rico Health Poverty Level and the Commonwealth's medically needy income eligibility standard for the appropriate family size.</p> <p>Disregard the difference between the Title II Medicare Part B Premium payment and the amount of the premium reduction offered by Medicare Advantage Organizations in Puerto Rico for aged, blind and disabled medically needy individuals.</p>

TN No. 07-01
Supersedes
TN No. 06-001

Approval Date **MAY 10 2007** Effective Date **JAN 01 2007**