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Dear Ms. Frescatore:

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) received New York's request to amend the state's section 1115(a) demonstration titled, "Medicaid Redesign Team" (MRT) (Project Number 11-W-001142/2) on November 6, 2019.

We have completed a preliminary review of the "Criminal Justice Involved Population" amendment request and have determined that the state's amendment request does not meet the requirements for a complete amendment application as outlined in Special Term and Condition Section III, #7.

Specifically, CMS has deemed the state's amendment request incomplete for the following reasons:

1. In the amendment application made available during the state public comment period, the state did not include an adequate data analysis of the fiscal impact of the amendment as required by STC 7(b); and,
2. The state's request did not include discussion of how the evaluation design would be modified to incorporate the amendment provisions as outlined in STC 7(d).

Additionally, CMS has determined that the state's amendment request to add a new component to the MRT demonstration should follow the guidelines set forth at 42 CFR 431.412(a). In accordance with these requirements, the state's amendment request should also include more information on the *specific* waiver and expenditures authorities the state believes is necessary to authorize the proposed amendment.

At this time, CMS will not begin the 30-day federal public comment and notice process as specified under 42 CFR 431.416(b). When the state submits a revised application that includes the missing elements outlined above, CMS will conduct another preliminary review to determine

if the revised application aligns with the requirements of 42 CFR 431.412(a) in order to determine the amendment application is complete in accordance with the requirements at 42 CFR 431.416(a).

We look forward to working with you and your staff, and are available to provide technical assistance as you revise the proposed application. Your CMS project officer, Ms. Audrey Cassidy, is available to address any questions you may have related to this correspondence. She can be reached at (410) 786-0059 or Audrey.Cassidy@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,



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