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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

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Dawn Stehle
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Dear Ms. Stehle:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is granting a temporary extension of Arkansas' Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA)-like section 1115 demonstration (Project No. 11-W-00163). The temporary extension is effective through April 15, 2015.

The extension period will give CMS and Arkansas the opportunity to have more detailed discussions about the renewal and to finalize the CMS clearance process. The demonstration will continue to operate under the current Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) and waiver and expenditure authorities.

Your project officer, Iris Allen, will contact you to facilitate these discussions. Ms. Allen can be reached at (410) 786-1633 or Iris.Allen@cms.hhs.gov should you need to contact her. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff on your 1115 demonstration extension.

Sincerely,

/s/

Eliot Fishman
Director

cc: Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator, CMS Region VI