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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

October 15, 2013

Thomas Betlach Director Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 801 East Jefferson, MD Phoenix, AZ 85034

Dear Mr. Betlach:

On August 23, 2013, your staff submitted a draft transition plan for your section 1115 demonstration, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment (project number 11-W-00275/09 and 21-W-0064/9). We appreciate the cooperation and collaboration your staff has provided during our review of your section 1115 demonstration transition plan.

Please find attached a clean version of your transition plan. CMS has accepted the redline edits you submitted on October 2, 2013. We ask that you review this document carefully and submit your confirmation of your transition plan as described in the enclosed document within 15 days.

Based on the enclosed version of your transition plan, at this time we have no further questions about your 2013 transition plan for your section 1115 demonstration population. Please note that the draft transition notices are still outstanding; we request that you submit the draft notices as soon as possible. Please be aware that we may have additional questions after the submission of the outstanding items.

Please note that we will continue to work with you through the State Operations Technical Assistance (SOTA) process on issues related to overall eligibility and enrollment policies and practices for 2014, such as the grandfathering protections for beneficiaries. Other Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) components will continue to work with you on other Affordable Care Act-related items, such as your systems and data.

If you have any questions, please contact your transition plan project officer, Ms. Angela Britton, at either 410-786-3079 or by email at <u>Angela.Britton@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

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We appreciate your cooperation throughout the review process.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosure

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