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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

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Mari Cantwell Chief Deputy Director Department of Health Care Services Director's Office, MS 0000 P.O. Box 997413 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Dear Ms. Cantwell:

Thank you for your recent request to extend California's section 1115(a) demonstration (11-W-00193/9), entitled "California Bridge to Reform Demonstration." The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received your extension application on March 27, 2015. We have completed a preliminary review of the application and have determined that the state's extension request has met the requirements for a complete extension request as specified under section 42 CFR 431.412(c).

In accordance with section 42 CFR 431.416(a), CMS acknowledges receipt of the state's extension request. The documents will be posted on Medicaid.gov, and the comment period will last 30 days, as required under 42 CFR 431.416(b). The state's application is available at http://medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Waivers/Waivers.html.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to extend the state's demonstration. If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact your project officer, Ms. Mehreen Hossain, Division of State Demonstrations and Waivers, at (410) 786-0938, or at mehreen.hossain@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: Hye Sun Lee, Acting Associate Regional Administrator, Region IX