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Justin Senior
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Dear Mr. Senior:

With this letter, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is granting a temporary extension of Florida MEDS-AD section 1115 Demonstration (Project No. 11-W-00205/4), effective January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014. The demonstration is currently operating under the authority of section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act. The current lists of waiver and expenditure authorities and special terms and conditions will continue to apply through December 31, 2014.

CMS approval of this temporary section 1115 demonstration extension is subject to the limitations specified in the approved waiver and expenditure authorities and the list of requirements that are not applicable to the expenditure authorities. The state may deviate from the Medicaid state plan requirements only to the extent those requirements have been specifically listed as waived or not applicable to the expenditure authorities. All requirements of the Medicaid program as expressed in law, regulation, and policy statement not expressly waived or identified as not applicable shall apply to Florida's MEDS-AD program. This approval is also conditioned upon continued compliance with the enclosed special terms and conditions (STCs) defining the nature, character, and extent of federal involvement in this project. We note that, while this extension continues to include expenditure authority for Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) data mining activities, the state currently has other authority for these expenditures, as described in a recent Department of Health and Human Services final rule issued May, 17, 2013 (78 FR 29055-29061). We expect that the state will continue with these activities, will claim its expenditures as permitted under that final rule, and will ensure that no duplicate claiming will occur.

These approvals are conditioned upon written acceptance from the state that it agrees with the amendments, expenditure authorities, and STCs. This written acceptance is needed for our records within 30 days of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions about this approval, please contact Diane Gerrits, Director for the Division of State Demonstrations and Waivers at CMS. Your project officer is Ms. Heather Hostetler. Ms. Hostetler's contact information is as follows:

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Thank you for your and your staff's thoughtful work on this demonstration amendment. We look forward to a successful implementation.

Sincerely,

/s/

Eliot Fishman
Director

Enclosures

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