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RE: Iowa 1115 Demonstration Waiver Amendment

Dear Ms. Mann:

Attached, please find an amendment to Iowa's IowaCare section 1115 Demonstration waiver. Iowa is requesting to amend the waiver to implement medical home reassignments for the Community Health Center of Fort Dodge (CHCFD). The CHCFD has experienced significant increases with their IowaCare population since the January 1, 2012, implementation of the provider network expansion. In anticipation of capacity limitations, CHCFD gave notice that they will no longer be able to provide services to IowaCare members in seven of their fourteen counties effective January 1, 2013. To avoid interruption of services for affected members, Primary Health Care has agreed to accept reassignment of members in five counties and Peoples Community Health Center has agreed to accept reassignment of members in two counties.

An updated budget neutrality projection worksheet representing the impact of the medical home reassignments is attached for your reference.

We look forward to providing any additional information necessary to expedite final approval of this amendment. Please feel free to contact me at 515-256-4621 or via e-mail at jvermee@dhs.state.ia.us. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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