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January 20, 2015

Ms. Cindy Mann
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services
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Dear Ms. Mann:

Iowa is in receipt of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) approval to amend the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) and the waiver authorities of Iowa's 1115 demonstrations entitled, "Iowa Wellness Plan" (Project Number 11-W00289/5) and "Iowa Marketplace Choice Plan: (Project Number 11-W00288/5). Given the clarifications below, this serves as Iowa's formal acceptance of the revised STC's dated December 31, 2014.

Iowa would like to clarify that although the amended STCs give Iowa the authority to continue to forego non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT) services to all members of the Iowa Health and Wellness plan, Iowa has been and will continue to provide NEMT services to members who have a medically exempt determination and who are under the age of 21.

Additionally, Iowa requests that CMS make the technical corrections described in the attachment entitled, "Technical Corrections Needed" in the amended STC's.

Finally, in your letter that we received on December 30, 2014, not only does CMS give amendment approval but you also acknowledge that, due to the withdraw of one of the Qualified Health Plans (QHP) in the Marketplace Choice Plan (MPC), beginning January 1, 2015, Iowa will allow members to choose to receive coverage from the remaining QHP in the MPC or the Wellness plan. Iowa plans to submit an amendment request to effectuate this change.

We appreciate the continued partnership we have had with CMS through the first year of implementation of the Iowa Health and Wellness plan. We look forward to continuing this partnership as we move into 2015.

Sincerely,

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Julie Lovelady
Interim Medicaid Director

cc: Charles Palmer, Director
Michael Boussetot, Governor's Office

attachment

**TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS NEEDED
IOWA WELLNESS PLAN AND MARKETPLACE CHOICE PLAN
SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Wellness Plan

- Wellness STC 7 cites to STC 29
 - Should be STC 63
- Wellness STC 44 cites to STC 60
 - Should be STC 54
- Wellness STC 47 cites to STC 30
 - Should be STC 39
- Wellness STC 49 sites to STC 61
 - Should be STC 54
- Wellness STC 54 sites to STC 47
 - Should be STC 56
- Wellness STC 55 sites to STC 63
 - Should be STC 47

Marketplace Choice Plan

- MPC STC 45(c) – cites to STC 37.
 - Should be STC 46
- MPC STC 55(a) cites to STC 44
 - Should be 53
- MPC STC 66 & 68 both reference STC 60
 - Should be STC 69
- MPC STC 68 also cites to “STC 62 below”
 - Should be STC 69
- MPC STC 67 cites to STC 60
 - Should be STC 70
- MPC STC 69 cites to STC 63
 - Should be STC 61
- MPC STC 79 cites to STC 72
 - Should be STC 81
- MPC STC 82 cites to STCs 69, 70, 71
 - Should be STCs 78, 79, 80

This document is an attachment to Iowa’s formal approval of the IHAWP STC’s amended December 31, 2014.