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Re: Iowa Health and Wellness Plan §1115 Demonstration Amendment (Project Number 11-W-00289/5) STCs

Dear Mr. Neale,

The Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS) is pleased to learn that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved "Iowa Health and Wellness Plan" (11-W-00289/5) amendment to modify the eligibility for the Dental Wellness Plan to include all adult Medicaid beneficiaries aged 19 and older, with certain exceptions, such as beneficiaries who are medically needy or who are enrolled in the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).

DHS understands that technical corrections to the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) may be requested following approval of the amendment. Therefore, DHS would like to take the opportunity in this acceptance letter to request the following technical corrections to the STCs accompanying your correspondence dated July 27, 2017:

- 1. DHS requests the footer of all pages of the STCs be revised to reflect a date of July 27, 2017.
- 2. DHS suggests a small formatting change to correct alignment of Section 1902(a)(17) at the bottom of the first page of the STCs.
- DHS requests that the approval date of the amendment be revised to July 27, 2017 on page five of the STCs.
- 4. DHS requests that the "Optional Aged, Blind & Disabled Coverage for States Using Criteria More Restrictive than SSI" row be removed from STC 18, Table 1. This row was mistakenly included in the draft, and this group is not impacted by the amendment.

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- 5. DHS presumes that the reference to STC 57 in STC 49 was inadvertent and recommends that the reference be removed.
- 6. DHS requests that STC 56, paragraph a, be revised to reflect revised healthy behaviors and premium requirements taking effect on August 1, 2017, rather than July 31, 2017.

We look forward to continuing to work with our federal partners at CMS to ensure a seamless transition to the amended Dental Wellness Plan. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this acceptance letter, and we look forward to working with your staff to finalize the STCs. Please let us know if you have any questions on the proposed technical corrections.

Sincerely,

Mikki Stier, MSHA, FACHE Medicaid Director Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

Enclosure: Iowa Health and Wellness Plan §1115 Demonstration Amendment (Project

Number 11-W-00289/5) Redline Special Terms and Conditions (STC)

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