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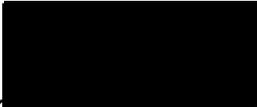
Ms. Cindy Mann  
Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services  
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services  
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Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

Dear Ms. Mann:

In my capacity as Secretary of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I am writing to formally accept your approval of the extension of the Commonwealth's section 1115 demonstration project, as described in the waiver list, expenditure authorities and special terms and conditions dated October 30, 2014. I am also enclosing the Commonwealth's recommended technical corrections.

My team and I sincerely appreciate the collaboration, dedication and skill of the CMS staff and leadership who worked to finalize this crucial extension to the Demonstration. The Demonstration will continue to support the Commonwealth's successful coverage expansion, while promoting delivery system reforms, improving health outcomes, and advancing alternative payment models that reward accountability for quality and costs. We look forward to our ongoing partnership with you as we build upon the unparalleled success of Massachusetts' health care reform efforts and continue to ensure access to high-quality, affordable health care for all Massachusetts residents.

Sincerely,

  
John Polanowicz

cc: Kristin Thorn, Medicaid Director, Executive Office of Health and Human Services  
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