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Children and Adults Health Programs Group

March 31, 2015

Jason Helgerson
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Dear Mr. Helgerson:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is granting a temporary extension of New York's Partnership Plan section 1115 demonstration (Project No. 11-W-00114/2). The temporary extension is effective through April 30, 2015.

The extension period will give CMS and New York the opportunity to have more detailed discussions of the issues involved in the longer extension of the demonstration. For example, there would be more time to engage in discussions related to CMS' review of New York's budget neutrality.

Please note that while some waiver and expenditure authorities will continue into the temporary extension period, other authorities will expire. The following will expire as of March 31, 2015:

- Expenditure authority to receive federal financial participation for payments to providers from the Interim Access Assurance Fund (IAAF).

The demonstration will continue to operate under all other current Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) and waiver and expenditure authorities. The per-member-per month (PMPM) costs approved for the last demonstration year will be used to determine budget neutrality through this temporary extension period.

Your project officer, Jessica Woodard, will contact you to facilitate these discussions. Ms. Woodard can be reached at (410) 786-9249 of Jessica.Woodard@cms.hhs.gov should you need to contact her. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff on your 1115 demonstration extension.

Sincerely,

/s/

Eliot Fishman
Director

cc: Michael Melendez, Associate Regional Administrator, CMS Region II New York