



December 31, 2012

Michael Fogarty
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Dear Mr. Fogarty:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) approves your request to renew the “SoonerCare” Medicaid section 1115 Demonstration (No. 11-W-00048/6). This renewal is effective January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2015, upon which date, unless reauthorized, all waivers and authorities granted to operate this demonstration will expire. The extension is granted under the authority of section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act.

Our approval of this demonstration project is subject to the limitations specified in the enclosed lists of waiver and expenditure authorities. The state may deviate from Medicaid State plan requirements only to the extent those requirements have been specifically waived or, with respect to expenditure authorities, listed as not applicable to expenditures for demonstration populations and other services not covered under the state plan.

The following changes have been made to the demonstration:

- a) The waiver authority that allowed the state to exclude parental income in determining eligibility for disabled children eligible in the TEFRA category ((1902)(a)(17)) has been removed because excluding parental income from the eligibility determination is inherent in the TEFRA program.
- b) Financial eligibility under the Insure Oklahoma program for all populations from up to and including 250 percent of federal poverty level (FPL) has been reduced to up to and including 200 percent of FPL. This includes: non-disabled working adults and their spouses; disabled working adults; employees of not-for profit businesses having fewer than 500 employees; foster parents and full-time college students. This reduction will occur because it is CMS policy to remove authorities for programs that have not been implemented.

- c) The expenditure and not applicable authorities for the Insure Oklahoma program will expire effective December 31, 2013.
- d) The state has been approved to limit the adult outpatient behavioral health benefit in the Insure Oklahoma individual plan to 48 visits per year. This benefit is limited to individual licensed behavioral health professionals (LBHP). However, this is a soft limit and beneficiaries may seek additional services from the LBHP with prior authorization. Additionally, beneficiaries may seek outpatient behavioral health services through a community mental health center.
- e) The Health Management Program is amended to rename nurse care managers as health coaches and to increase face-to-face care management by embedding health coaches within physician practices that have the highest concentration of members with chronic illnesses.

This demonstration approval is conditional upon acceptance and compliance with the enclosed Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) defining the nature, character, and extent of anticipated Federal involvement in the project. The award is subject to our receiving your written acknowledgement of the award and acceptance of the STCs, waiver, and expenditure authorities within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Your project officer for this demonstration is Ms. Heather Hostetler. She is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115 demonstration renewal. Ms. Hostetler's contact information is as follows:

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Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Hostetler and to Mr. Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator in our Dallas Regional Office. Mr. Brooks' contact information is as follows:

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1301 Young Street, Room 714
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If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Ms. Jennifer Ryan, Acting Director, Children and Adults Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services, at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

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Cindy Mann

Director

Enclosure

cc: Jennifer Ryan, CMCS
Mr. Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator, Dallas Regional Office
Heather Hostetler, CMCS