DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Hal Cohen Secretary Vermont Agency of Human Services 208 Hurricane Lane, Suite 103 Williston, VT 05495

Dear Mr. Cohen:

The purpose of this letter is to provide clarification regarding the continuation of Vermont's Global Commitment to Health (Project Number 11-W-00194/1) section 1115 demonstration. Currently, your section 1115 demonstration is operating under section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and is scheduled to expire December 31, 2016.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is unable to approve your request for a section 1115(e) extension at this time. However, we are continuing to process your request under the authority of section 1115(a) of the Act to allow the state and CMS to continue working together on approval of the Global Commitment to Health demonstration extension. The current list of expenditure authorities, waiver authorities, and Special Terms and Conditions will continue to apply to the demonstration until December 31, 2016.

We look forward to working with Vermont toward renewing this important and successful demonstration before December 31, 2016. If you have any questions, please contact Eliot Fishman at 410-786-9686 or eliot.fishman@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

Vikki Wachino Director

cc: Richard McGreal, ARA, Boston Regional Office