## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

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## **State Demonstrations Group**

November 12, 2015

MaryAnne Lindeblad Medicaid Director State of Washington, Health Care Authority 626 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, P.O. Box 45502 Olympia, WA 98504-5050

Dear Ms. Lindebald:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is granting a temporary extension of Washington's Take Charge (Project No. 11-W-00134/0-01) section 1115 family planning demonstration until December 31, 2016. This temporary extension will allow the state and CMS to continue working together on orderly closeout activities related to the phase out of the demonstration.

The demonstration will continue to operate under the authority of section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act. Additionally, the current list of expenditure authorities and Special Terms and Conditions will continue to apply to the Take Charge demonstration until December 31, 2016.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your project officer, Ms. Lane Terwilliger. Ms. Terwilliger can be reached at (410) 786-2059 or at <a href="mailto:lane.terwilliger@cms.hhs.gov">lane.terwilliger@cms.hhs.gov</a>. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff on this demonstration.

Sincerely,

/s/

Eliot Fishman Director

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