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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

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Sandra King Young, Director American Samoa Medicaid State Agency ASTCA Executive Building #306 P.O. Box 6101 Pago Pago, AS 96799

Dear Ms. King Young:

I am writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed your territory's Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Compliance Survey, submitted to determine whether American Samoa meets the requirements specified in section 1903(l) of the Social Security Act (the Act), as added by Section 12006(a) of the 21st Century Cures Act, for personal care services rendered under the Section 1905(a)(24) personal care benefit.

American Samoa has indicated that it does not render personal care services requiring an inhome visit under the 1905(a)(24) authority. Therefore, there are no services for which to require the utilization of an EVV system, and no service claims against which to apply statutorilymandated reductions in the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for EVV noncompliance.

Please also be aware that should American Samoa add personal care services provided through an in-home visit under any of the authorities specified in the Cures Act, the territory will need to comply with EVV requirements upon implementation of such authority, or be subject to the mandated FMAP reductions. I have included the territory's current EVV Compliance Survey submission with this correspondence. If you have any questions about this correspondence please feel free to contact the CMS EVV mailbox at evv@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy, Director