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Disabled & Elderly Health Programs Group

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Jan Stall Interim State Medicaid Agent State of Wyoming, Department of Health 6101 Yellowstone Road, Suite 210 Cheyenne, WY 82009

Dear Interim Medicaid Agent Stall:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is granting Wyoming approval of the electronic visit verification (EVV) good faith effort exemption request for Home Health Care Services (HHCS). CMS has determined that your state's request is in accordance with 12006(a)(4)(B) of the 21st Century Cures Act (Cures Act). Specifically, your state has made a good faith effort to comply with EVV requirements by conducting an environmental scan on all HHCS providers, selecting an EVV model, performing HHCS planning activities, and issuing a contract change request to include HHCS.

In addition, your state has encountered unavoidable delays when implementing its EVV system, including needing to make interface enhancements and functional billing changes required for the incorporation of HHCS. The state's current EVV system requires critical system enhancements prior to HHCS implementation.

Because your state has sufficiently demonstrated it has made a good faith effort to comply with EVV requirements and has encountered unavoidable delays, CMS will not apply federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) reductions in calendar year 2023. Please be advised that the Cures Act provision on good faith effort exemptions does not provide CMS with authority to delay the FMAP reductions for more than one year. If you have any questions please email EVV@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Mary Marchioni, Acting Deputy Director Division of Long-Term Services and Supports