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Emily Ricci
Deputy Commissioner
Alaska Department of Health
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Dear Deputy Commissioner Ricci:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Alaska's request for a new section 1115 demonstration entitled, "Alaska Traditional Health Care Practices" (11-W-11006/10) on November 06, 2026. We have completed a preliminary review of your request and have determined that the state's application is complete in accordance with section 42 CFR 431.412(a).

Alaska's application will be posted on Medicaid.gov for a 30-day federal comment period as required by 42 CFR 431.416(b). The state's application will be available at: https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/section-1115-demo/demonstration-and-waiver-list.

We look forward to working with you and your staff on this new demonstration application. If you have any questions regarding the section 1115 review process, please contact your CMS project officer, Alex Desatoff, at Alexei.Desatoff@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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cc: Maria Garza, State Lead, Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group