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State Demonstrations Group

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Dear Theodore Mermigos:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved a temporary extension of the state's section 1115 demonstration, entitled "Delaware Diamond State Health Plan" (Project Number 11-W-00036/4), in order to allow the state and CMS to continue to work together on the state's extension application. This demonstration will now expire December 31, 2024.

CMS's approval is conditioned upon the state's continued compliance with the special terms and conditions (STCs) defining the nature, character, and extent of anticipated federal involvement in the project. The current STCs and expenditure authorities will continue to apply during the temporary extension period of this demonstration. The state's current budget neutrality agreement and per member per month amounts (as of Demonstration Year 28) will continue to apply as described in the STCs, until December 31, 2024 or until the demonstration is extended, whichever is sooner.

For the temporary extension period, the state must continue to monitor its demonstration as stipulated in the current STCs. In addition, the state is required to include the temporary extension period in its demonstration evaluation. The state may choose to include the temporary extension period within its summative evaluation for the demonstration approval period beginning August 1, 2019. In this case, the Summative Evaluation Report should be submitted within 18 months of the end of the temporary extension period. Alternatively, if CMS approves an extension beyond December 31, 2024, the state may choose to include the temporary extension period in its Evaluation Design and activities for the next full demonstration approval period.

Your CMS project officer for this demonstration is Wanda Boone-Massey. Wanda is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115 demonstration and can be reached at Wanda.Boone-Massey@cms.hhs.gov. If you have questions regarding this communication, please contact me at (443) 257-5069.

Sincerely,

Mehreen H. Rashid
Acting Director

Enclosure

cc: Nicole Guess, State Monitoring Lead, Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group