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State Demonstrations Group

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Kristin Sousa
Assistant Secretary and State Medicaid Director
Rhode Island Executive Office of Health and Human Services
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Cranston, RI 02920

Dear Director Sousa:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved a temporary extension of the state's existing COVID-19 Attachment K authorities that are currently in effect, under the state's demonstration titled "Rhode Island Comprehensive Demonstration" (Project Number 11-W-00242/1). The temporary extension will allow the state and CMS to continue negotiations over the demonstration extension application submitted on December 22, 2022, which contains a request to make certain Attachment K authorities long-term components of the demonstration. These COVID-19 Attachment K authorities will now expire March 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, attachments, and waiver and expenditure authorities, will continue to apply during the temporary extension of this authority.

If you have any questions, please contact your project officer, Ms. Kathleen O'Malley at Kathleen.OMalley@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Acting Director

cc: Joyce Butterworth, State Monitoring Lead, Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group