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State Demonstrations Group

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Brenda Tidball-Zeltinger Director, Division of Medical Services South Dakota Department of Social Services 700 Governors Drive, Kneip Building Pierre, SD 57501-2291

Dear Director Tidball-Zeltinger:

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 "South Dakota Former Foster Care Youth" (Project Number 11-W-00319/8), in order to allow the state and CMS to continue negotiations over the state's extension application submitted on October 11, 2022. This demonstration will now expire October 31, 2023.

CMS's approval is conditioned upon the state's continued compliance with the special terms and conditions (STC) 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 will continue to apply as described in the STCs, until October 31, 2023 or until the demonstration is extended, whichever is sooner.

For this 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 this temporary extension period in its demonstration evaluation. The state may choose to include this temporary extension period within its summative evaluation for the demonstration approval period beginning May 1, 2018. 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 October 31, 2023, the state may choose 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 Ms. Valisha Andrus. She is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115 demonstration. Ms. Andrus can be reached at valisha.andrus@cms.hhs.gov.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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