

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES BUREAU FOR MEDICAL SERVICES

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Administrator Chiquita Brooks-LaSure Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services 7500 Security Boulevard Baltimore, MD 21244

> RE: Evolving West Virginia Medicaid's Behavioral Health Continuum of Care Project Number 11-W-00307/3

Dear Administrator Brooks-LaSure:

This letter serves as the State of West Virginia's formal acceptance of the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) for the Section 1115 demonstration renewal waiver project entitled, "Evolving West Virginia Medicaid's Behavioral Health Continuum of Care" (Project Number 11-W-00307/3), as provided in your December 11, 2024, correspondence.

West Virginia (State) would like to acknowledge the dedicated time, effort, and resources you and your colleagues at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) have provided as we have worked collaboratively on this renewal to advance the State's vision for addressing the health needs of our communities and populations served through this demonstration extension and expansion.

The West Virginia team noted there were a few instances throughout the document where there was reference to "STC X" or "section X" references. The State believes these are placeholders intended to refer to other STCs or Sections and would be happy to work with the CMS team to identify references should technical corrections to the STC document be warranted.

The instances noted include:

 On page 56, STC 15.7, there is a sentence which reads "This deliverable is subject to the deferral as described in STC X."



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 On page 60, STC 15.11.e. reads "Member Months. As part of the Quarterly and Annual Monitoring Reports described in section X, the state must report the actual number of "eligible member months..."

The West Virginia Bureau for Medical Services (BMS) team is looking forward to continuing our collaborative work with the CMS. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 304-558-1700 or by email at cynthia.e.beane@wv.gov.



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