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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

June 22, 2020

Dawn Stehle
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Dear Ms. Stehle,

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Arkansas' second request to amend the following 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers with the Emergency Preparedness and Response Appendix K in order to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic:

WAIVER TITLE	CMS AMENDMENT CONTROL NUMBER
AR Choices in Home Care	AR.0195.R05.03
Living Choices Assisted Living	AR.0400.R03.04
Community and Employment Supports Waiver (CES)	AR.0188.R05.05

The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are effective from March 12, 2020 through August 30, 2020 and apply in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19.

For each waiver, we have included the approved Appendix K pages with this correspondence. Please utilize the waiver management system for HCBS waivers for any further amendments to these waiver programs other than Appendix K.

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Bernice Denbow of my staff at 410-786-6777 or by e-mail at Bernice.Denbow@cms.hhs.gov or Mary Marchioni at 303-844-7094 or by e-mail at Mary.Marchioni@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy
Director

Enclosure