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**Medicaid Benefits and Health Programs Group**

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May 29, 2024

William Woolston, Director  
Division of Health Services  
Department of Social Services  
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Hartford, CT 06105

Dear Director Woolston:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Connecticut's 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
Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Elders	CT.0140.R07.06
Personal Care Assistance Waiver	CT.0301.R05.08
CT ABI I Waiver	CT.0302.R05.04
Home and Community support Waiver for Persons with Autism	CT.0993.R02.02
CT ABI II Waiver	CT.1085.R01.07
Mental Health Waiver	CT.0653.R02.06
Katie Beckett Waiver	CT.4110.R08.03

The state's approved Appendix K is effective March 16, 2020 through six months after the end of the federal public health emergency (PHE) for COVID-19. The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are additive to those previously approved; they apply in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19. Effective May 12, 2023, the state is implementing one-time supplemental payments to providers of HCBS using funds from section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) as specified within the Appendix K.

The state has identified its intent to use money realized from section 9817 of the ARP. Approval of this action does not constitute approval of the state's spending plan. The state must have an approved spending plan in order to use the money realized from section 9817 of the ARP.

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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 the Appendix K.

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Daphne Hicks of my staff at 214-767-6471 or by e-mail at [Daphne.Hicks@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Daphne.Hicks@cms.hhs.gov) or Marge Sciulli at 410-786-0691 or by e-mail at [Margherita.Sciulli@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Margherita.Sciulli@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure