

## **Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group**

April 9, 2020

Lynnette Rhodes, Executive Director Medical Assistance Plans Department of Community Health 2 Peachtree Street NW, 36<sup>th</sup> Floor Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Ms. Rhodes,

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Georgia'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<br>NUMBER |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Elderly and Disabled waiver                     | GA.0112.R07.03                  |
| Independent Care Waiver Program (ICWP)          | GA.4170.R05.01                  |
| Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program<br>(COMP) | GA.0323.R04.03                  |
| New Options Waiver (NOW)                        | GA.0175.R06.02                  |

The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are effective for the waivers from March 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021 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 Daphne Hicks of my staff at 214-767-6471\_or by email at <u>daphne.hicks@cms.hhs.gov</u> or Mary Marchioni at 303-844-7094 or by e-mail at <u>mary.marchioni@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy Director Enclosure