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**Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group**

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Dear Mr. Schuh:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Maryland's eleventh submission 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
Waiver for Adults with Brain Injury	MD.40198.R03.04
Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder	MD.0339.R04.05
Home and Community-Based Options Waiver	MD.0265.R05.05
Home Care for Disabled Children Under a Model Waiver	MD.40118.R07.04
Medical Day Care Services Waiver	MD.0645.R02.06

The state's approved Appendix K is effective from March 1, 2020 through six months after the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE). CMS notes the state is implementing a rate increase to providers in all waivers identified in the table above. The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are additive to those previously approved and are effective from November 1, 2021 through the end of the approved Appendix K amendment; they apply in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19.

The state has identified its intent to use money realized from section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan (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 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](mailto:Bernice.Denbow@cms.hhs.gov) or Margherita 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