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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

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Cynthia MacDonald
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Dear Ms. MacDonald:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Minnesota'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
Elderly Waiver	MN.0025.R08.18
Brain Injury Waiver	MN.4169.R06.02
Community Access for Disability Inclusion	MN.0166.R07.07
Community Alternative Care	MN.4128.R07.16
Developmental Disabilities Waiver	MN.0061.R07.20

The state's approved Appendix K is effective from March 13, 2020 through six months after the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE). The amendment that the state has requested in the Appendix K is additive to those previously approved and is effective from July 1, 2021 to the end of the federal public health emergency (PHE) for COVID-19; it applies in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19.

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 Ryan Shannahan of my staff at 410-786-0295 or by e-mail at Ryan.Shannahan@cms.hhs.gov or Ralph Lollar at 410-786-0777 or by e-mail at Ralph.Lollar@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy
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Enclosure