

Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

July 6, 2020

Ann Berg Minnesota Department of Human Services 540 Cedar Street St. Paul, MN 55164-0983

Dear Ms. Berg,

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
Brain Injury Waiver	MN.4169.R05.11
Community Access for Disability Inclusion	MN.0166.R06.11
Elderly Waiver	MN.0025.R08.08

The amendments that the state has requested in this Appendix K are additive to the previously approved Appendix K, are effective from March 13, 2020 through September 13, 2020, and apply 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 Appendix K.

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Ryan Shannahan of my staff at 410-786-0295 or by email at <u>Ryan.Shannahan@cms.hhs.gov</u> or Ralph Lollar at 410-786-0777 or by e-mail at <u>Ralph.Lollar@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy Director