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Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
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**Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group**

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Todd Richardson, Director  
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Dear Mr. Richardson,

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Missouri'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
Aged & Disabled Waiver	MO.0026.R08.07
Adult Day Care Waiver	MO.1021.R02.06
Independent Living Waiver	MO.0346.R04.08
Medically Fragile Adult Waiver	MO.40190.R05.04
AIDS Waiver	MO.0197.R07.01
Brain Injury Waiver	MO.1406.R00.06

The state's approved Appendix Ks are effective from January 27, 2020 through six months after the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE). The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix Ks are additive to those previously approved. CMS notes the state is implementing a 5.29% rate increases for services specified in the Appendix Ks, effective July 1, 2021 through six months after the end of the PHE. In addition, the state is increasing individual service rates which include market-based adjustments and support an increased minimum wage for direct service workers effective July 1, 2022 through six months after the end of the PHE. The amendments 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