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

April 30, 2020

Marie Matthews, Director
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Dear Ms. Matthews,

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Montana'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 |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Montana Big Sky waiver | MT.0148.R06.03 |
| Home and Community-Based Waiver for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities | MT.0208.R06.03 |
| Behavioral Health Severe and Disabling Mental Illness Home and Community-Based Services waiver | MT.0455.R02.06 |

The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are effective for the waivers from January 27, 2020 through July 27, 2020 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 e-mail at daphne.hicks@cms.hhs.gov or Mary Marchioni at 303-844-7094 or by e-mail at mary.marchioni@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy
Director

Enclosure