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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

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Dear Mr. Friedman:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving New York's request to amend the following 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver with the Emergency Preparedness and Response Appendix K in order to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic:

WAIVER TITLE	CMS AMENDMENT CONTROL NUMBER
Children's Waiver	NY.4125.R05.12

The state's approved Appendix K is effective from March 1, 2020 through six months after the end of the federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) for COVID-19. The amendment that the state has requested in this Appendix K is additive to those previously approved and is effective from April 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022. The Appendix K applies 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.

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 this waiver program 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 Margherita Sciulli at 410-786-0691 or by e-mail at Margherita.Sciulli@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure