

Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

March 18, 2020

Sally Kozak, Deputy Secretary Office of Medical Assistance Programs 625 Forester Street, Health and Welfare Building Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Ms. Kozak,

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Pennsylvania'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
Adult Autism Waiver	PA.0593.R02.06
OBRA Waiver	PA.0235.R05.10
Consolidated Waiver	PA.0147.R06.05
Person/Family Directed Support Waiver	PA.0354.R04.05
Community Health Choices Waiver	PA.0386.R04.01
Community Living Waiver	PA.1486.R00.04

The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are effective for the Community Health Choices and OBRA waivers from March 6, 2020 through June 30, 2020 and March 11, 2020 through March 10, 2021 for the Adult Autism, Consolidated, P/FDS, and Community Living Waivers 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 email at <u>daphne.hicks@cms.hhs.gov</u> or Mary Marchioni at 303-844-7094 or by e-mail at <u>mary.marchioni@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy Director

Enclosure