

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

October 21, 2020

Stephanie Stephens
Health and Human Services Commission
4900 North Lamar
Austin, TX 78751

Dear Ms. Stephens:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Texas' 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
Medically Dependent Children's Program	TX.0181.R06.07

The amendment that the state has requested in the Appendix K is additive to those previously approved and is effective from March 13, 2020 to January 29, 2021; this applies in all locations served by the individual waiver 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 e-mail at Ryan.Shannahan@cms.hhs.gov , or Ralph Lollar at 410-786-0777 or by e-mail at Ralph.Lollar@cms.hhs.gov .

Sincerely,

Melissa L. Harris
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Enclosure