

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

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

Dear Ms. Muth,

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) waivers with the Emergency Preparedness and Response Appendix K in order to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic:

WAIVER TITLE	CMS AMENDMENT CONTROL NUMBER
Youth Empowerment Services	TX.0657.R02.02
Texas Home Living	TX.0403.R03.05
Home and Community-Based Services	TX.0110.R07.03
Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities	TX.0281.R05.05
Community Living Assistance and Support Services	TX.0221.R06.02
Medically Dependent Children Program	TX.0181.R06.05

The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are effective from March 13, 2020 through January 26, 2021 and apply in all locations served by the individual waivers 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](mailto:Ryan.Shannahan@cms.hhs.gov) or Ralph Lollar at 410-786-0777 or by e-mail at [Ralph.Lollar@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Ralph.Lollar@cms.hhs.gov) .

Sincerely,

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Enclosure