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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

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Dear Ms. Chacon:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Utah'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
Community Supports for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities and Other Related Conditions waiver	UT.0158.R07.05
Individuals Age 65 and Older (Aging) waiver	UT.0247.R06.05
Acquired Brain Injury waiver	UT.0292.R05.06
Physical Disabilities waiver	UT.0331.R05.02
New Choices waiver	UT.0439.R03.04
Medically Complex Children's waiver	UT.1246.R01.06
Technology Dependent, Medically Fragile Individuals waiver	UT.40183.R05.05
Community Transitions waiver	UT.1666.R00.04

The state's approved Appendix K is effective January 27, 2020 through six months after the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE). The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are additive to those previously approved; they apply in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19. Effective April 1, 2021, the state will make temporary supplemental payments to providers as specified in the amendment.

The state has identified its intent to use money realized from section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) to effectuate the supplemental payments to providers. 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.

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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,

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Enclosure