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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

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Jan Stall
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Dear Ms. Stall:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Wyoming'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 Mental Health Waiver	WY 0451.R03.06

The state's approved Appendix K is effective from March 1, 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. CMS notes while the state is extending the end date of the Appendix K from February 28, 2021 to six months after the end of the PHE, the state is not extending the Appendix K flexibilities that ended on February 28, 2021. CMS further notes the state is adding the flexibility to delay 372 and/or evidentiary reporting effective March 1, 2020 through the end of the approved Appendix K. The amendments apply in all locations served by the individual waiver for anyone impacted by COVID-19.

CMS reminds the state that the state must have an approved spending plan in order to use the money realized from section 9817 of the ARP. Approval of this action does not constitute approval of the state's spending plan.

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 the Appendix K.

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Bernice Denbow of my staff at 410-786-6777 or by e-mail at Bernice.Denbow@cms.hhs.gov or Margherita Sciulli at 410-786-0691 or by e-mail at Margherita.Sciulli@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Melissa L. Harris
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Enclosure