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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

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Teri Green
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Dear Ms. Green:

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
Community Choices Waiver	WY.0236.R06.01

The amendment that the state has requested in the Appendix K is additive to those previously approved and applies in all locations served by the individual waiver for anyone impacted by COVID-19. The state's approved Appendix K is effective from January 27, 2020 to six months after the end of the federal public health emergency (PHE) for COVID-19. CMS notes the effective date of the provider rate increase is July 1, 2021.

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 American Rescue Plan (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 Appendix K.

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Amanda Hill of my staff at 410-786-2457 or by e-mail at Amanda.Hill@cms.hhs.gov or Mary Marchioni at 303-844-7094 or by e-mail Mary.Marchioni@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy
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Enclosure