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Wanda Boone-Massey
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Subject: Montana Section 1115 Demonstration Extension Special Terms and Conditions Acceptance

Dear Ms. Boone-Massey:

Montana accepts the Section 1115 Montana Waiver for Additional Services and Populations (WASP) Demonstration (Project Number 11-W-00181/8) extension Special Terms and Conditions as presented in the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) letter dated November 21, 2022.

Approval of this extension continues expenditure authority for: 1) 12-month continuous eligibility and full state plan benefits, except retroactive eligibility, for the Waiver Mental Health Services Plan (WMHSP) population up to a limit of 3,000 beneficiaries who have been diagnosed with a severe disabling mental illness (SDMI) of schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depression or another SDMI; and 2) dental treatment services above the \$1,125 state plan dental treatment cap to individuals determined categorically eligible for the aged, blind, or disabled (ABD) eligibility group, to which retroactive eligibility requirements will continue to apply. The state maintains the authority to not provide retroactive eligibility for the WMHSP demonstration population and will evaluate the effects of this policy on beneficiary receipt of services and medical debt.

For parents and caretaker relatives (PCR) initially determined eligible under the state plan in the eligibility groups described in either section 1931 of the Act or section 1925 of the Act, 12-month continuous eligibility, through this waiver, will end at the earlier of: the end of the continuous enrollment requirement under section 6008(b)(3) of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) or the date that the state no longer claims the increased Federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) under section 6008(a) of the FFCRA.

If you have questions, please contact Michael Randol at Michael.Randol@mt.gov or (406) 444-6533. Technical questions may be addressed to Mary Eve Kulawik, Medicaid and CHIP State Plan Amendment and Waiver Coordinator at (406) 444-2584, mkulawik@mt.gov. Thank you for your collaboration with Montana on the WASP Demonstration Waiver.

Sincerely,

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