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Dear Ms. Harr:

I am writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has granted your request to amend New Jersey's section 1115(a) demonstration (11-W- 00279/2) entitled "New Jersey Comprehensive Waiver." Approval of this amendment is under the authority of section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act, and is effective from the date of this letter.

This amendment proposes that the Hospital Relief Subsidy Fund (HRSF) transition payments be extended through December 31, 2013 due to unforeseeable delays in completing the DSRIP Planning Protocol and DSRIP Funding & Mechanics protocol, as required by paragraphs 93(e) and 93(f) of the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs). This extension will ease the burden of the hospitals in the development of their DSRIP plans as they transition from the HRSF subsidy to the performance-based DSRIP program.

CMS approval of this demonstration amendment is conditioned on continued compliance with the enclosed set of STCs that define the nature, character, and extent of anticipated federal involvement in the project. This award is subject to your written acknowledgement of the award and acceptance of the STCs within 30 days of the date of this letter.

A copy of the revised STCs is enclosed. The existing waiver and expenditure authorities for this demonstration are also enclosed and are unchanged by this amendment, and remain in force.

Your project officer for this demonstration is Mr. Ed Francell. He is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115 demonstration and this amendment. Mr. Francell's contact information is:

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Official communications regarding this demonstration should be sent simultaneously to Mr. Francell and Mr. Michael Melendez, Associate Regional Administrator for the Division of Medicaid and Children's Health in our New York Regional Office. Mr. Melendez's contact information is as follows:

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If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Mr. Eliot Fishman, Director, Children and Adults Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services at (410) 786-5647.

Sincerely,


Cindy Mann
Director

Enclosure

cc: Michael Melendez, ARA Region II