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State Demonstrations Group

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Cynthia Beane
Commissioner
West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources
350 Capitol Street
Room 251
Charleston, WV 25301

Dear Ms. Beane:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved the evaluation design for West Virginia's section 1115 demonstration entitled, "Creating a Continuum of Care for Medicaid Enrollees with Substance Use Disorders" (Project Number 11-W-0028516), and effective through December 31, 2022. We sincerely appreciate the state's commitment to a rigorous evaluation of your demonstration.

CMS has added the approved evaluation design to the demonstration's Special Terms and Conditions (STC) as Attachment D. A copy of the STCs, which includes the new attachment, is enclosed with this letter. The approved evaluation design may now be posted to the state's Medicaid website within thirty days, per 42 CFR 431.424(c). CMS will also post the approved evaluation design as a standalone document, separate from the STCs, on Medicaid.gov.

Please note that an interim evaluation report, consistent with the approved evaluation design is due to CMS one year prior to the expiration of the demonstration, or at the time of the renewal application if the state chooses to extend the demonstration. Likewise, a summative evaluation report, consistent with this approved design, is due to CMS within 18 months of the end of the demonstration period.

We look forward to our continued partnership with you and your staff on your Creating a Continuum of Care for Medicaid Enrollees with Substance Use Disorders demonstration. If you have any questions, please contact your CMS project officer, Mr. Michael Trieger. Mr. Trieger may be reached by email at Michael.Trieger@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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