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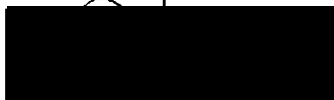
Cindy Mann
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Dear Ms. Mann:

In my capacity as Medicaid Director for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I am writing to formally accept your approval of the Commonwealth's Section 1115 demonstration amendment, as described in the approval letter from CMS dated December 30, 2013.

My team and I sincerely appreciate CMS' collaboration in ensuring that Massachusetts residents continue to have timely access to health care coverage during this transition period as we shift to the new 2014 coverage landscape under national health care reform. We look forward to our ongoing partnership with you as we build upon the unparalleled success of Massachusetts' state health care reform and continue our efforts to ensure access to high-quality, affordable health care for all Massachusetts residents.

Sincerely,



Kristin Thorn

cc: Robin Callahan, Massachusetts Deputy Medicaid Director for Policy and Programs
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