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Shannon M. McMahon
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Dear Ms. McMahon:

Thank you for your recent request to amend Maryland's section 1115 demonstration project, entitled "Health Choice" (Project Number 11-W-00099/3). We have completed a preliminary review of your application in accordance with the amendment process outlined in the special terms and conditions and have determined that the state's amendment application has met the required elements.

CMS acknowledges receipt of the state's complete amendment application. The amendment application will now be posted on Medicaid.gov for public comment. The state's application is available at <http://medicaid.gov/Medicaid-CHIP-Program-Information/By-Topics/Waivers/Waivers.html>.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff, and are available to provide technical assistance as you revise the state's amendment application. If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact your project officer Jeremy Bates, State Demonstrations Group, at (410) 786-2613, or at Jeremy.Bates@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Director
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