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Dear Ms. Frescatore:

Thank you for your recent request to amend New York's section 1115(a) demonstration entitled, "Medicaid Redesign Team" (MRT). The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received your request on April 3, 2018 and, after confirming with your team that the intended benefit change will impact the approved budget neutrality ceiling for the demonstration, has completed its preliminary review to find the state's amendment request does not meet the requirements for a complete amendment application as outlined in Special Term and Condition 7.

CMS has deemed the amendment request incomplete for the following reasons:

1. The state's request did not include an adequate data analysis of the fiscal impact of the amendment as required by STC 7(b).
2. The state's request did not include discussion of whether the evaluation design would need to be modified to incorporate the amendment provisions as outlined in STC 7(d).

At this time, CMS will not begin the 30-day federal public comment and notice process as specified under 42 CFR §431.416(b). Once the state re-submits a revised application that includes the elements outlined above, CMS will conduct another preliminary review to determine if New York's revised request is consistent with the amendment application requirements of STC 7.

Your CMS project officer, Adam Goldman, is available to address any questions you may have related to this correspondence. He can be reached at (410) 786-2242 or Adam.Goldman@cms.hhs.gov.

We look forward to continuing to partner with you and your staff on the New York MRT section 1115(a) demonstration and are available to provide technical assistance as you revise the state's amendment request.

Sincerely,



Angela D. Garner
Director
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Enclosure

cc: Michael Melendez, Associate Regional Administrator, CMS New York Region