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## State Demonstrations Group

March 9, 2023

Emily Ricci  
Deputy Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Health  
240 Main Street, Suite 202  
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Ms. Ricci:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) received Alaska's request to extend the state's section 1115(a) demonstration, entitled "Alaska Substance Use Disorder and Behavioral Health Program (11-W00318/0), on March 01, 2023. We have completed a preliminary review of your request and have determined that the state's application meets the requirements for a complete extension application as specified under Special Term and Condition #8.

Alaska's extension application will be posted on Medicaid.gov for a 30-day federal comment period at: <https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/section-1115-demo/demonstration-and-waiver-list/index.html>.

We look forward to our continued partnership on the Alaska Substance Use Disorder and Behavioral Health Program section 1115(a) demonstration. If you have questions regarding the section 1115 extension application process, please contact your CMS project officer, LT. Jack Nocito, at [Jack.Nocito@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Jack.Nocito@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

Angela D. Garner  
Director  
Division of System Reform Demonstrations

cc: Maria Garza, State Monitoring Lead, Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group