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Dear Ms. Costello:

Massachusetts has received the approval letter, dated August 11, 2022, of Massachusetts' 1115 demonstration amendment. This amendment authorizes federal financial participation (FFP), once CMS approves the Commonwealth's SMI Implementation Plan, for otherwise covered Medicaid services, including inpatient psychiatric hospital services, provided to otherwise-eligible Medicaid beneficiaries who are primarily receiving treatment for a serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance (SMI/SED) who are short-term residents in facilities that meet the definition of an institution for mental disease (IMD); extends Medicare cost-sharing assistance by expanding MassHealth Standard income eligibility to receive such assistance without an asset test, including through the Qualifying Individual program, to align with the state legislative expansion; and specifies the domains for Community Support Program (CSP) services for individuals with justice-involvement living in the community.

Please accept this letter as acknowledgement of the demonstration amendment approval and acceptance of the authority described therein, including the minor technical corrections attached. As always, we value our partnership with CMS and thank you for providing flexibility granted through this approval.

Sincerely,



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