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THIS LETTER SENT VIA EMAIL

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ACCEPTANCE OF THE CALIFORNIA ADVANCING AND INNOVATING MEDICAL SECTION 1115 DEMONSTRATION AMENDMENT ADDRESSING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND PROMOTING CONTINUITY OF CARE DURING UNWINDING

Dear Ms. Friedman:

On March 17, 2023, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) received approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to amend the section 1115(a) demonstration, "California Advancing and Innovating Medical (CalAIM)" (Project Number 11-W-00193/9), to address the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) and to promote continuity of coverage during the unwinding of the COVID-19 PHE. Specifically, CMS granted time-limited approval to provide continuous coverage for children aging out of the Children's Health Insurance Program and specified formerly pregnant individuals, from March 1, 2020, through the end of the PHE unwinding period or until all redeterminations are conducted during the PHE unwinding period as specified in State Health Official Letter #22-001.

This letter serves as California's official acceptance of the demonstration amendment award, the associated special terms and conditions and expenditure authorities as requested in CMS's approval.

We appreciate our continued partnership with respect to the CalAIM demonstration and COVID-19 PHE unwinding efforts.

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Sincerely,



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