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Ms. Cindy Mann
Deputy Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
and Director of the Centers for Medicaid and CHIP Services
Department of Health and Human Services
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Dear Ms. Mann:

The State of Michigan is pleased to submit its formal application to amend the State's current Section 1115 Adult Benefits Waiver Demonstration Program. The State requests approval of this amendment in order to implement certain directives contained in the State law known as Public Act 107 of 2013 and in turn, make health care affordable and accessible for 300,000 to 500,000 Michigan citizens.

This program, known as the "Healthy Michigan Plan" is intended to be a model for providing a comprehensive benefit package while managing health care costs. Specifically, the proposed benefit design aims to assist individuals in managing their health care needs while encouraging them to maintain or attain healthy behaviors and utilize high value services whenever possible. The State is enthusiastic about the impact this program could have on not only the numbers of the uninsured, but also on health behaviors and outcomes throughout the State.

In order to implement the Healthy Michigan Plan consistent with the timeframes required by State law, we are requesting approval by December 31, 2013.

We appreciate the assistance both you and your colleagues at CMS have already provided, and look forward to continuing to work together in order to achieve our mutual goal of improving the health and well-being of low-income Michigan citizens.

Sincerely,

Stephen Fitton, Director
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enclosure

cc: Paul Boben, CMS
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