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Mary C. Mayhew, Commissioner
Department of Health & Human Services
Commissioner's Office
11 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333-0011

Re: Maine State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 12-004

Dear Commissioner Mayhew:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Boston Regional Office has completed its review of Maine State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 12-004. This SPA implements Health Homes as authorized under Section 2703 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The State plan pages for this SPA were submitted and approved through the Medicaid Model Data Lab. To qualify for enrollment in a health home, Medicaid participants must have (a) two chronic conditions or (b) one chronic condition and the risk of developing another, from the following list of conditions: mental health; substance use disorder, asthma; diabetes; heart disease; BMI over 25 and other conditions that include tobacco use for risk of heart disease; chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; hypertension; developmental disability; autism spectrum disorder; acquired brain injury; seizure disorders and cardiac and circulatory congenital abnormalities. This SPA designates that a team of health care professionals, as described in Section 1945(h)(6) of the Social Security Act, is the health home provider.

We are approving this SPA with an effective date of January 1, 2013, and have included the approved State plan pages with this letter. In accordance with the statutory provisions at Section 1945(c)(1) of the Social Security Act, for payments made to health home providers under this amendment, during the first eight fiscal quarters that the SPA is in effect - January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014, the Federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) rate applicable to such payments shall be equal to 90 percent. The FMAP rate for payments made to health home providers will return to the state's published FMAP rate on January 1, 2015.

This approval is based on the State's agreement to collect and report information required for the evaluation of the health home model. States are also encouraged to report on the CMS' recommended core set of quality measures.

If you have any questions concerning this amendment or require further assistance, please contact me, or have your staff contact Kathryn Holt of my staff at 617/565-1246 or kathryn.holt@cms.hhs.gov. Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard McGreal
Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc:
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