## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

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## **State Demonstrations Group**

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Dear Dr. Fotinos:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved a temporary extension of the state's section 1115 demonstration, entitled "Washington Family Planning Only Demonstration" (Project Number 11-W-00134/0), in order to allow the state and CMS to continue to work together on the state's extension application resubmitted on January 20, 2023. This demonstration will now expire June 30, 2024.

CMS's approval is dependent upon the state's continued compliance with the special terms and conditions (STC) defining the nature, character, and extent of anticipated federal involvement in the project. The current STCs and expenditure authorities will continue to apply during the temporary extension period of this demonstration. The state's current budget neutrality agreement and per member per month amounts (as of Demonstration Year 22) will continue to apply as described in the STCs, until June 30, 2024 or until the demonstration is extended, whichever is sooner.

For this temporary extension period, the state must continue to monitor its demonstration as stipulated in the current STCs. In addition, the state is required to include the temporary extension period in its demonstration's evaluation. The state may include the temporary extension period within its summative evaluation for the demonstration approval period beginning May 9, 2018. Alternatively, if CMS approves an extension beyond June 30, 2024, the state may include the temporary extension period in the Evaluation Design and activities of the next full demonstration approval period.

Your CMS project officer for this demonstration is Felicia Pailen. Felicia is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115 demonstration and can be reached at <u>felicia.pailen@cms.hhs.gov</u>. If you have questions regarding this communication, please contact me at (443) 257-5069.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Edwin Walaszek, State Monitoring Lead, Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group