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Administrator
Washington, DC 20201

Mari Cantwell Chief Deputy Director Department of Health Care Services Director's Office, MS 0000 P.O. Box 997413 Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

Dear Ms. Cantwell:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved your request to amend California's section 1115 demonstration project, entitled California Bridge to Reform Demonstration (Project Number 11-W-00193/9). This amendment authorizes the state to provide full-scope Medi-Cal benefits to low-income pregnant women with incomes above 109 percent through 138 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL). This amendment also authorizes California to require pregnant women with incomes up to 138 percent of the FPL to enroll in a Medi-Cal managed care health plan in those counties in which such plans are available. These changes are effective as of the date of the approval letter.

The CMS's approval of this section 1115 demonstration amendment is subject to the limitations specified in the approved waiver and expenditure authorities and Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) defining the nature, character, and extent of federal involvement in this project. The state may deviate from the Medicaid state plan requirements only to the extent those requirements have been waived or specifically listed as not applicable to the expenditure authorities. The approval is subject to CMS receiving your written acknowledgement of the award and acceptance of these STCs within 30 days of the date of this letter. A copy of the revised STCs, waivers, and expenditure authorities are enclosed.

Your project officer for this demonstration is Ms. Mehreen Hossain. She is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115 demonstration and this amendment. Ms. Hossain's contact information is:

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Official communications regarding this demonstration should be sent simultaneously to Ms. Hossain and Ms. Hye Sun Lee, Acting Associate Regional Administrator for the Division of Medicaid and Children's Health in our San Francisco Regional Office. Ms. Lee's contact information is as follows:

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If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Mr. Eliot Fishman, Director, State Demonstrations Group, Center for Medicaid & CHIP Services at (410) 786-5647.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Slavitt Acting Administrator

cc: Hye Sun Lee, Acting ARA Region IX