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Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

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Dear Ms. Cunningham:

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Illinois' request to amend the following 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers with the Emergency Preparedness and Response Appendix K in order to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic:

WAIVER TITLE	CMS AMENDMENT CONTROL NUMBER
Persons with Disabilities	IL.0142.R07.03
Persons with HIV/AIDS	IL.0202.R06.11
Persons with Brain Injury	IL.0329.R04.12

The state's approved Appendix Ks are effective from January 27, 2020 through six months after the end of the Public Health Emergency (PHE). The amendments that the state has requested in this Appendix K are additive to those previously approved. CMS notes the state is increasing the service cost limits for all three waivers effective March 1, 2022. CMS further notes the implementation of a rate increase for fee-for service Day Habilitation and Prevocational services in the Persons with Brain Injury waiver effective March 1, 2022 through six months after the end of the PHE. The amendments apply in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19.

CMS reminds the state that the state must have an approved spending plan in order to use the money realized from section 9817 of the ARP. Approval of this action does not constitute approval of the state's spending plan.

We have included the approved Appendix K pages with this correspondence. Please utilize the waiver management system for HCBS waivers for any further amendments to these waiver programs other than Appendix K.

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Bernice Denbow of my staff at 410-786-6777 or by e-mail at Bernice.Denbow@cms.hhs.gov or Margherita Sciulli at 410-786-0691 or by e-mail at Margherita.Sciulli@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure