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Jacey Cooper, Medicaid Director  
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RE: §1915 (c) Waiver 0141.R06.10 Multipurpose Senior Services Program Amendment

Dear Ms. Cooper:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving your request to amend Multipurpose Senior Service Program for individuals 65 years of age and older and who require nursing facility level of care. The CMS Control Number for the amendment is CA-0141.R06.10. Please use this number in future correspondence relevant to this waiver action.

With this amendment, the state is updating Appendix C, Appendix I and Appendix J to reflect new waiver service unit types in alignment with the changes made during the Code Conversion project, which replaces local billing codes with HIPAA-compliant Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) national codes. Combining the two waiver service categories for Community Transition Services (Moving and Housing/Utility Set-up) into one waiver service category, billed under one HCPCS code.. The effective date of the amendment is July 1, 2023.

The waiver continues to be cost-neutral. The average per capita cost of waiver services estimates (Appendix J.1) have been approved.

This approval is subject to your agreement to serve no more individuals than the total number of unduplicated participants indicated in Appendix J.2 of the waiver. If the state wishes to serve more individuals or make any other alterations to this waiver, an amendment must be submitted for approval.

It is important to note that CMS' approval of this waiver amendment solely addresses the state's compliance with the applicable Medicaid authorities. CMS' approval does not address the state's

independent and separate obligations under federal laws including, but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, or the Supreme Court's Olmstead decision. Guidance from the Department of Justice concerning compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Olmstead decision is available at [http://www.ada.gov/olmstead/q&a\\_olmstead.htm](http://www.ada.gov/olmstead/q&a_olmstead.htm).

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 American Rescue Plan (ARP). Approval of this action does not constitute approval of the state's spending plan.

Thank you for your cooperation during the review process. If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact me at (410) 786-7561. You may also contact Lisa Amaro-Rife at [Lisa.Amaro-Rife@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Lisa.Amaro-Rife@cms.hhs.gov) or (214)767-2506.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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