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Ruth Kennedy
Medicaid Director
State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
628 North 4th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Ms. Kennedy:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved your amendment request to the Louisiana's Greater New Orleans Community Health Connection (GNOCHC) section 1115 demonstration (Project No. 11-W-00252/6).

Per your June 2014 request, the amendment to the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) reflects an increase in the aggregate expenditure limit of the demonstration up to \$111.6 million dollars due to the state's capacity to extend the non-federal share. This is an increase of \$6 million to the available spending limit. The approval of the GNOCHC amendment is conditioned upon continued compliance with the enclosed STCs defining the nature, character, and extent of anticipated federal involvement in the project. The award is subject to our receiving your written acknowledgement of the award and acceptance of these STCs within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Written acceptance should be sent to Andrea Casart. Ms. Casart's contact information is as follows:

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Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services
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Telephone: 410-786-0742
Email: Andrea.Casart@cms.hhs.gov

Official communications regarding program matters should be sent simultaneously to Mr. Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator in our Dallas Regional Office. Mr. Brook's contact information is as follows:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
1301 Young Street, Room 714
Dallas, TX 75202
Telephone: (214) 767-6495
Email: Bill.Brooks@cms.hhs.gov

If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Mr. Eliot Fishman, Director, Children and Adults Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services, at (410) 786-5647. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff on the GNOCHC demonstration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cindy Mann", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Cindy Mann
Director

Enclosures

cc: Bill Brooks, Associate Regional Administrator, Region VI