



State Demonstrations Group

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Dear Mr. Tsai:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved the technical corrections to Massachusetts' section 1115(a) Medicaid demonstration, entitled "MassHealth" (Project Number 11-W-00030/1). These technical corrections include a number of formatting and grammatical changes, and clarification of various programmatic operations, including:

The following technical corrections are effective no earlier than January 1, 2019 to allow for the implementation of necessary updates to the Commonwealth's operational processes:

- Clarifying edits in Expenditure Authority 11 and STCs 20 and 26 related to the treatment of annuity payments to disabled adults and language that was inadvertently removed in the approved version.

The following technical corrections are effective as of the date of this letter through the remainder of the Demonstration Extension period (10/23/18 – 6/30/22):

- Clarifying in STC 63(b) that Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) funding associated with the Flexible Services program may be used to support infrastructure for social service organizations delivering Flexible Services
- Clarifying in STC 73(b) that the DSRIP Final Evaluation will be a component of the Summative Evaluation
- Clarifying in STC 74 that the final DSRIP Midpoint Assessment report is due by the end of September 2020

The following technical corrections are effective for the 2017 Extension approved November 4, 2016 (7/1/17 – 6/30/22):

- Clarifying in STCs 54(a) and 56 that payments to Community Health Centers are neither limited to uncompensated care costs incurred by Community Health Centers nor otherwise subject to the provisions of the Cost Limit Protocol
- Clarifying in STC 63(c) that ACOs, not Community Partners, are responsible for providing Flex Services

The following technical corrections are effective January 1, 2014 through the current Demonstration Extension period (7/1/14 – 6/30/22):

- Clarifying in Waiver Authority for Financial Responsibility/Deeming the state's existing financial determination methodology for disabled adults
- Clarifying in the Expenditure Authority the Income Disregards under Section 1902(r)(2)(A) have been an approved non-applicable authority for the CommonHealth Expenditure population

Your project officer for this demonstration is Mr. Eli Greenfield. He is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115 demonstration. Mr. Greenfield's contact information is as follows:

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Sincerely,



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