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Richard R. McGreal Associate Regional Administrator Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Boston Regional Office JFK Federal Building, Room 2325 Boston, MA 02203

Dear Mr. McGreal:

Massachusetts is pleased to submit an addendum to its Statewide Transition Plan for Compliance with the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Community Rule. This addendum addresses non-residential home and community based services delivered through the state's 1915(c) waivers, and was developed over the past 6 months as a collaborative effort among Executive Office of Health and Human Services agencies, including MassHealth, the Department of Developmental Services, the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission and the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Massachusetts does not operate other programs for which a transition plan is required.

Attached you will find the following materials:

- The Massachusetts Statewide Transition Plan for Compliance with the CMS Home and Community Based Services Community Rule Addendum for Non-Residential Services and agency-specific non-residential Transition Plans related to waiver-operating agencies.
- Copies of public notices which the state issued to announce posting of the draft addendum on the state's website, and opportunities for public input.
- A summary of comments received through the public input process and the state's responses to these comments.

You will also find these materials posted, as required, on the state's website at: <a href="http://www.mass.gove/eohhs/gov/departments/masshealth/">http://www.mass.gove/eohhs/gov/departments/masshealth/</a>.

The Commonwealth appreciates the publication of the Community Rule, which is in keeping with our own Community First policy and its overarching commitment to serving individuals with disabilities and elders in the community.

Sincerely,

Daniel Tsai