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RE: Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities Services- NE.4154.R06.09 Amendment

Dear Mr. Brunssen:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving your request to amend Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities Services Waiver for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities. The CMS Control Number for the amendment is NE.4154.R06.09. Please use this number in future correspondence relevant to this waiver action.

With this amendment, the state is adding in Appendix B an additional "Other" specified groups in Medicaid Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver, in order to comport with Nebraska's expansion of Medicaid, revise sampling approach for data collection in Appendix G performance measure A.3, and revise incorrect language in the denominator of Appendix G performance measure C.3. See 3-A for specific revisions. The effective date of the amendment is October 1, 2020.

This approval is subject to your agreement to serve no more individuals than those indicated in "C Factor Estimates" in the states approved 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.

We appreciate your cooperation during the approval process. If there are any questions concerning this information, please contact me at (206) 615-2356 or your staff may contact Tyson Christensen at tyson.christensen@cms.hhs.gov or (816) 426-6440.

Sincerely,

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