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Mari Cantwell
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Dear Ms. Cantwell:

In accordance with 42 CFR 438.6(c), the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed and is approving California's submission of a proposal for delivery system and provider payment initiatives under Medicaid managed care plan contracts. The proposal was received by CMS on June 30, 2019.

Specifically, the following proposal for delivery system and provider payment initiatives is approved:

- Uniform increase established by the state for dental services for the rating period covering July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

This approval letter does not constitute approval of any Medicaid managed care plan contracts or rate certifications for the aforementioned rating period, or any specific Medicaid financing mechanism used to support the provider payment arrangement. All other federal laws and regulations apply. This approval letter only satisfies the regulatory requirement pursuant to 42 CFR 438.6(c)(2) for written approval prior to implementation of any payment arrangement described in 42 CFR 438.6(c)(1). Approval of the corresponding Medicaid managed care plan contracts and rate certifications is still required.

Note that this payment arrangement must be addressed in the applicable rate certifications. CMS is happy to provide technical assistance to states and their actuaries.

If you have questions concerning this letter, please contact Laura Snyder, Division of Managed Care Plans at (410) 786-3198 or Peter Banks at (415) 744-3639.

Sincerely,

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cc: Laura Snyder, DMCP