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RE: CA 0336.R05.22, 0336.R05.23, 0336.R05.24 Appendix K Amendments

Dear Director Sadwith:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving California's request to amend the Californians with Developmental Disabilities 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver in order to add Emergency Preparedness and Response Appendix Ks in response to the Trinity County storms, Victoria Island Levee incident, and the Franklin Fire. The CMS Control Number for the amendments are noted below, along with the effective dates. Please use these numbers in future correspondence relevant to these waiver actions.

- CA 0336.R05.22 Trinity County storms Effective December 15, 2024 through January 29, 2025
- CA 0336.R05.23 Victoria Levee incident Effective October 21, 2024 through November 21, 2024
- CA 0336.R05.24 Franklin Fire Effective December 9, 2024 through January 18, 2025

These amendments add an Appendix K to the waiver to allow the state to authorize retainer payments for the following services: Habilitation – Community Living Arrangement Services, Behavioral Intervention Services, and Day Services. The retainer payments authorized under this amendment apply to waiver participants impacted by the Trinity County storms in Trinity County, the Victoria Levee incident in San Joaquin County, and the Franklin Fire in Los Angeles County.

We have included the approved Appendix K pages for this waiver with this correspondence. Please utilize the waiver management system for HCBS waivers for any further amendments to these waiver programs other than Appendix K.

Thank you for your cooperation during the review process. If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact me at (410) 786-7561. You may also contact Alice Hogan at Alice.Hogan@cms.hhs.gov or (404) 562-7432.

Sincerely,

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