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Dear Ms. Cantwell:

I am pleased to inform you that your request to amend the California Section 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Californians with Developmental Disabilities (DD) has been approved. The amendment has been assigned Control Number 0336.R04.01 and is approved with a July 1, 2018 effective date.

This amendment allows the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to increase provider payment rates for home health aide and skilled nursing (Licensed Vocational Nurse and Registered Nurse) waiver service providers. The following services continue to be offered through the DD waiver: behavioral intervention, community living arrangement, day service, homemaker, prevocational, respite care, supported employment (individual), dental, home health aide, occupational therapy, optometric/optician, physical therapy, prescription lenses and frames, psychology, speech, hearing, and language services, financial management, chore, communication aides, community-based training, environmental accessibility adaptations, family support, family/consumer training, housing access, non-medical transportation, nutritional consultation, personal emergency response systems, skilled nursing, specialized medical equipment and supplies, transition/set up expenses, and vehicle modifications and adaptations.

We appreciate the cooperation of your staff during the amendment review process. If you or your staff have questions about this waiver amendment, please contact Adrienne Hall at (415) 744-3674 or by email at [Adrienne.Hall@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Adrienne.Hall@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/

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