

Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group

April 21, 2020

MaryAnne Lindeblad Washington State Health Care Authority 626 8th Avenue SE Olympia WA, 98501

Dear Ms. Lindeblad,

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving Washington's request to amend the following 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers that serve older persons and individuals with disabilities with the Emergency Preparedness and Response Appendix K in order to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic:

WAIVER TITLE	CMS AMENDMENT CONTROL NUMBER
Residential Support Waiver	WA.1086.R01.03
COPES	WA.0049.R08.03

The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are effective from February 29, 2020 through January 31, 2021 and apply in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19.

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

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Ryan Shannahan of my staff at 410-786-0295 or by email at <u>Ryan.Shannahan@cms.hhs.gov</u> or Ralph Lollar at 410-786-0777 or by e-mail at <u>Ralph.Lollar@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Alissa Mooney DeBoy Director

Enclosure