



**Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations**

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Dear Ms. Lindeblad:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of Washington's request to renew the Washington State Integrated Community Mental Health Program. This waiver is authorized under Sections 1915(b)(1) and 1915(b)(4) of the Social Security Act, in order to provide managed care community mental health services to Section 1931 Children and Related Populations, Section 1931 Adults and Related Populations, Blind/Disabled Adults and Related Populations, Blind/Disabled Children and Related Populations, Aged and Related Populations, Foster Care Children, Title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and Other Special Needs Populations (i.e., individuals with serious and persistent mental illness and/or substance abuse).

The waiver program is approved for a two-year period from October 1, 2012, through September 30, 2014. For Medicaid and CHIP reporting purposes and all correspondence related to the waiver, please use control number WA.08.R08.00 to report expenditures for the approved period.

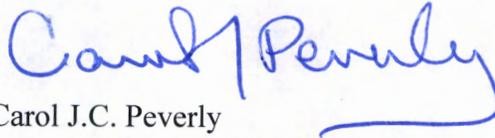
If the State decides to request additional renewal of the program, the renewal application must be submitted by July 1, 2014, which is 90 days prior to the expiration date. If the renewal request is not submitted by that date, CMS may request a phase-down plan from the State prior to the termination of the waiver program.

The decision to approve this waiver renewal is based on evidence submitted to the Federal Review Team showing that the State's waiver program is consistent with the purposes of the Medicaid program, has met the applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for access to care and quality of services, and has been and will continue to be a cost-effective means of providing community mental health services to Washington's Medicaid beneficiaries.

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Thank you for the cooperation of your staff in the review process of this waiver renewal. If you have additional questions related to this waiver, please contact me, or have your staff contact Janice Adams at (206) 615-2541, or via email at [janice.adams@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:janice.adams@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,



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