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Dear Mr. Lipman:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving a modification to the state's Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) "Program Funding and Mechanics" protocol that is incorporated in the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) for New Hampshire's section 1115(a) demonstration titled, "Building Capacity for Transformation" (BCT) (project no. 11-W-00301/1).

On May 8, 2020, New Hampshire submitted an application to amend its BCT section 1115(a) demonstration to permit the state to modify the reporting format and metrics developed to assess the performance of Integrated Delivery Networks (IDNs) for the purpose of qualifying for performance-based DSRIP payments. The state's amendment application specifically requested section 1115(a)(2) expenditure authority to permit changes to the approved DSRIP performance metrics due to the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on providers. After discussion with the state on May 8, 2020, CMS determined that the state could effectuate the requested changes to the DSRIP performance metrics through a revision to the Program Funding and Mechanics protocol incorporated in the state's STCs as Attachment D. In accordance with this determination, CMS hereby approves the enclosed modified Program Funding and Mechanics protocol to specifically permit the state to score IDN performance for demonstration year five based upon their performance and scoring for demonstration year four in light of the unforeseen impact that COVID-19 had on IDN performance in demonstration year five. This protocol modification will support New Hampshire's IDNs with maintaining workforce, provider integration, and care coordination as they continue to serve IDN target populations that are also impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

With this protocol change approval, the flexibilities requested by the state in its May 8, 2020 COVID-19 amendment application have been addressed. Since section 1115(a) demonstration

authority is not needed at this time, with this letter, CMS considers New Hampshire's May 8, 2020 section 1115 demonstration request withdrawn.
If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact your CMS project officer, Ms. Katie O'Malley at Kathleen.O'Malley@cms.hhs.gov or at (410) 786-8987.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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