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Ms. Mary Dalton
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Dear Ms. Dalton,

This letter is to inform you that your request to amend the Montana Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities, as authorized solely under section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act, has been approved. These individuals would otherwise require the level of care provided in an intermediate care facility for persons with mental retardation and related conditions. The waiver amendment has been assigned control number MT.0208.R04.02, which should be used in all future correspondences regarding this program.

As part of this amendment, the State requested and was approved to implement the following changes, effective July 1, 2010: 1) Added new waiver services: Live-In Caregiver, Support Broker, and Personal Supports; 2) Added the Medicaid Buy-In eligibility group; 3) Added new self-directed waiver service options; 4) Modified Respite service definition; 5) Modified average length of stay projections to be more accurate with actual experience; 6) Removed references and uses of the Vineland adaptive behavior assessment; 7) Added clarifying language about involuntary termination for self-direction; 8) Corrected a waiver language error to indicate an IQ test score is required by age eight; 9) Updated Factor G and G' projections with more recent data; 10) Revised eligibility determination process due to a new Departmental position; and, 11) Modified service definition for Adult Companion Services.

The agreement now includes the following waiver services: Day Habilitation; Homemaker; Live-In Caregiver; Residential Habilitation; Respite; Supported Employment; Waiver-funded Children's Case Management (WCCM); Extended State Plan Services: Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Psychological Services, and Speech Therapy; Personal Supports; Supports Brokerage; Adult Companion Services; Adult Foster Support (with a subcomponent called Residential Training Supports); Assisted Living; Board Certified Behavior Analyst; Caregiver Training and Support; Community Transition Services; Dietician; Environmental Modifications/Adaptive Equipment; Individual Goods and Services; Meals; Personal Care; PERS; Private Duty Nursing; Respiratory Therapy; and Transportation.

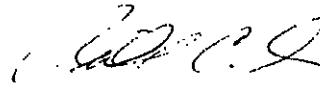
It should be noted that case management is offered as targeted case management under the State Plan for all adults age 16 and older with few exceptions for younger children served in group homes. Children's case management is offered as a waiver service via WCCM. Financial Management Services is offered and reimbursed as an administrative activity.

The following are the approved estimates of utilization and costs:

	Unduplicated Recipients (Factor C)	Estimated Community Costs Per Person (Factors D+D')	Estimated Institutional Costs Per Person (Factors G+G')	Total Waiver Costs
Year 3	2300	\$48,477.59	\$196,845.00	\$90,705,133.32
Year 4	2300	\$50,049.68	\$202,842.00	\$93,437,219.25
Year 5	2300	\$51,669.52	\$209,023.00	\$96,241,594.11

We appreciate the time and cooperation provided by your staff. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Di Friedli at (303) 844-7112 or via e-mail at Diana.Friedli@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,



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