

State Demonstrations Group

November 30, 2020

Marie Matthews Medicaid Director 111 North Sanders, Room 301 P.O. Box 4210 Helena, Montana 59604-4210

Dear Ms. Matthews:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has completed its review of the state's Family Planning Evaluation Design, which is required by the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) for Montana's "Section 1115 Demonstration family planning demonstration, entitled "Montana Plan First," (Project Number 11-W-00276/8). CMS has determined that the evaluation design meets the requirements set forth in the STCs and, therefore, hereby approves the state's SUD evaluation design.

The evaluation design is approved for the demonstration period through December 31, 2028, and is incorporated into the attached demonstration STCs as Appendix B. Per 42 CFR 431.424(c), the approved "Plan First" evaluation design may now be posted to your state's Medicaid website. CMS will also post the approved evaluation design as a standalone document, separated from the STCs, on Medicaid.gov.

Please note that an interim evaluation report, consistent with the approved evaluation design is due to CMS one year prior to the expiration of the demonstration or at the time of the extension application if the state chooses to extend the demonstration. Likewise, a summative evaluation report, consistent with this approved design is due to CMS within 18 months of the end of the demonstration period.

Your CMS project officer, Ms. Wanda Boone-Massey, is available to answer any questions concerning this approval or your section 1115 demonstration. Ms. Boone-Massey may be reached by phone at 410-786-2619 or by email at <u>wanda.boone-massey@cms.hhs.gov</u>. We look forward to our continued partnership on the Montana Plan First section 1115 demonstration.

Sincerely, Danielle Daly - Digitally signed by Danielle Digitally signed by Andrea Andrea J. J. Casart -S Date: 2020.12.02 11:23:51 S Date: 2020.12.03 13:35:28 Casart -S -05'00' -05'00' Danielle Dalv Andrea Casart Director Director Division of Demonstration Monitoring Division of Eligibility and Coverage and Evaluation Demonstrations

cc: Barbara Prehmus, State Monitoring Lead, CMS Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group