

State Demonstrations Group

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Marcus Johnson, Deputy Director of Community Engagement and Regulatory Affairs Kristen Challacombe, Deputy Director of Business Operations Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 801 East Jefferson Street Phoenix, Arizona 85034

Dear Deputy Directors Johnson and Challacombe:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) completed its review of the Final Report for the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) amendment to the section 1115 demonstration entitled, "Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)" (Project No: 11-W-00275/9), approved on June 7, 2023. This report covers the demonstration period from March 1, 2020 through March 31, 2024. CMS determined that the Final Report, submitted on June 4, 2025, is in alignment with the requirements outlined in the approval letter for this amendment, and therefore, approves the state's Final Report.

In accordance with 42 CFR 431.424(c), the approved Final Report may now be posted to the state's Medicaid website within 30 days. CMS will also post the approved Final Report on Medicaid.gov.

We sincerely appreciate the state's commitment to evaluating the COVID-19 PHE amendment under these extraordinary circumstances. We look forward to continuing our partnership on the AHCCCS section 1115 demonstration. If you have any questions, please contact your CMS demonstration team.

Sincerely,

Danielle Daly Director Division of Demonstration Monitoring and Evaluation

cc: Edwin Walaszek, State Monitoring Lead, CMS Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group