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ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM

October 13, 2011

Secretary Kathleen Sebelius Department of Health & Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20201

Re: Extension Request for Arizona's Section 1115 Waiver

Dear Secretary Sebelius:

Arizona's Section 1115 Research and Demonstration Waiver was scheduled to expire on September 30, 2011. With your approval, this Waiver was extended until October 14, 2011. To provide CMS with adequate time to finalize the approval process, the State agrees to extend the current Demonstration until October 21, 2011. AHCCCS remains committed to continuing its partnership with CMS as we finalize the terms of the new Waiver.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Thomas Betlach Director Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 801 East Jefferson Street Phoenix, AZ 85034

Dear Mr. Betlach:

Thank you for your October 13, 2011, letter regarding an extension of Arizona's section 1115 Demonstration, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) (Project # 11-W-00032/09 and 21-W-00009/09). You requested that your current program, which is due to expire on October 14, 2011, be extended until October 21, 2011.

With this letter, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving your request to temporarily extend the AHCCCS demonstration which is currently operating under section 1115(a) of the Social Security Act. The current lists of waiver and expenditure authorities and special terms and conditions will continue to apply to the AHCCCS Demonstration until October 21, 2011.

We look forward to working with you and your staff as we continue to work with Arizona in transitioning to its new section 1115 demonstration.

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