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## **Children and Adults Health Programs Group**

September 4, 2025

Kristen Challacombe Interim Director Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System 150 N. 18th Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85007

Dear Interim Director Challacombe:

Your title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) State Plan Amendments (SPAs), AZ-25-0005 and AZ-25-0006, submitted on June 24, 2025, have been approved. The effective date for these SPAs is August 6, 2024.

Through SPA AZ-25-0006, Arizona removes the state's waiting period and describes the state's substitution of coverage monitoring strategy. Through SPA AZ-25-0005, Arizona makes corresponding technical edits to its CHIP state plan to remove references to the waiting period.

Your Project Officer is Joyce Jordan. She is available to answer your questions concerning this amendment and other CHIP-related matters and can be reached at Joyce.Jordan@cms.hhs.gov.

If you have additional questions, please contact Mary Beth Hance, Acting Director, Division of State Coverage Programs, at (410) 786-4299. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff.

Sincerely,

Alice Weiss **Acting Director** on Behalf of

Sarah deLone, Director