

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
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**Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group**

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Caprice Knapp, Director  
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Dear Ms. Knapp,

We are writing to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving North Dakota's request to amend the following 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers with the Emergency Preparedness and Response Appendix K in order to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic:

<u>WAIVER TITLE</u>	<u>CMS AMENDMENT CONTROL NUMBER</u>
Children's Hospice waiver	ND.0834.R02.03
Medically Fragile Children waiver	ND.0568.R02.04
Home and Community Based Services waiver	ND.0273.R05.05
Traditional IID/DD Home and Community Based Services waiver	ND.0037.R08.03
Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) waiver	ND.0842.R02.03

The amendments that the state has requested in the Appendix K are additive to the previously approved Appendix K and are effective from March 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021 and apply in all locations served by the individual waivers for anyone impacted by COVID-19.

We have included the approved Appendix K pages with this correspondence. Please utilize the waiver management system for HCBS waivers for any further amendments to these waiver programs other than Appendix K.

If you need assistance, feel free to contact Daphne Hicks of my staff at 214-767-6471 or by e-mail at [daphne.hicks@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:daphne.hicks@cms.hhs.gov) or Mary Marchioni at 303-844-7094 or by e-mail at [mary.marchioni@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:mary.marchioni@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

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Director

Enclosure