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RE: RI-2019-03-15-EE-CntAmend47-Deloitte

Dear Ms. Hawkins,

Your colleagues in Rhode Island's Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) recently requested that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) review and approve Amendment #47 to the contract between EOHHS and Deloitte Consulting LLP for work related to Rhode Island's Unified Health Infrastructure Project (UHIP) and the RI Bridges integrated eligibility system. The request was received on March 15, 2019.

The amendment extends the relationship between the state and Deloitte from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021. Deloitte will complete previously agreed-upon system functionality, remediate various known and to-be-identified defects, deliver multiple enhancement releases and provide other Maintenance and Operations (M&O) services as defined in the amendment, which also establishes a \$50,000,000 payment to the state and a mutual release of claims for credits, charges and other potential liabilities that accrued on or before December 31, 2018.

In order to complete the review of this amendment, we must first have agreement as to the amount of the CMS portion of the settlement agreement.

Federal regulations at 45 CFR 95.611(d) provide that if CMS has not provided written approval, disapproval, or a request for information within 60 days of the date of receipt of a state's request, the request will automatically be deemed to have provisionally met prior approval conditions of 45 CFR 95.611(b). Unfortunately, CMS is unable to approve or disapprove the amendment without that specific additional clarifying information.

This formal request for additional information (RAI) will officially stop the 60-day clock. The 60-day clock will restart at Day One once the information requested below is formally submitted to CMS. Your response to this RAI must be submitted to CMS for review no later than 60 days from the date of this letter. If you do not provide CMS with a formal response by that date, we will conclude that the state has not established that the proposed amendment is consistent with

CMS's statutory and/or regulatory requirements and will therefore initiate disapproval action. Please note that any materials provided during or subsequent to our meeting this week do not inherently constitute a formal response to this RAI.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact CDR Terry Lew, USPHS, at (206) 615-2336 or by e-mail at Terrence.Lew1@cms.hhs.gov. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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