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Dear Ms. Johnson:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) completed its review of the Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Monitoring Protocol, which is required by the Special Terms and Conditions (STCs), specifically, STC #19, of Colorado's section 1115 demonstration, "Expanding the Substance Use Disorder Continuum of Care" (Project No: 11-W-00336/8), effective through December 31, 2025. CMS determined that the Monitoring Protocol, which was submitted on September 29, 2021 and revised on May 16, 2022, meets the requirements set forth in the STCs, and thereby approves the state's SUD Monitoring Protocol.

The Monitoring Protocol is approved for the demonstration period through December 31, 2025 and is hereby incorporated into the demonstration STCs as Attachment D (see attached). In accordance with STC #44 (Public Access), the approved SUD Monitoring Protocol may now be posted to your state's Medicaid website.

We look forward to our continued partnership on the Expanding the Substance Use Disorder Continuum of Care section 1115 demonstration. If you have any questions, please contact your CMS demonstration team.

Sincerely,

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