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State Demonstrations Group

Al Gobeille Secretary Vermont Agency of Human Services 280 State Drive Waterbury, VT 05671 JUN 1 9 2019

Dear Secretary Gobeille:

Thank you to you and your staff for your work on the substance use disorder (SUD) evaluation design, which is a component of the state's section 1115(a), titled "Vermont Global Commitment to Health" (Project No. 11-W-00194/1). The draft SUD evaluation design submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on May 13, 2019, has been found to fulfill the requirements set forth in the Special Terms and Conditions (STC), section XII – and State Medicaid Director Letter SMD #17-003, "Strategies to Address the Opioid Epidemic."

The SUD evaluation design is approved for the period starting June 6, 2018, through December 31, 2021 – and is hereby incorporated into the demonstration STCs as Attachment K (see attached). Per 42 CFR 431.424(c), the approved SUD evaluation design may now be posted to your state's Medicaid website.

If you have any questions, please contact your CMS project officer, Mr. Eli Greenfield. Mr. Greenfield is available to answer any questions concerning your section 1115(a) demonstration and his contact information is as follows:

Your project officer is Mr. Eli Greenfield, who may be reached at (410) 786-6157 and through e-mail at Eli.Greenfield@cms.hhs.gov. Communications regarding program matters and official correspondence concerning the demonstration should be submitted to Mr. Greenfield at the following address:

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Official communication regarding official matters should be simultaneously sent to Mr. Greenfield and Mr. Francis McCullough, Director, Division of Medicaid Field Operations East. Mr. McCullough's contact information is as follows:

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CMS looks forward to continuing work with your staff on future developments within your demonstration.

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