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Dear Ms. Edwards,

Please consider this letter as an official request for a temporary 90 day extension to Kentucky's Medicaid Managed Care 1915(b) waiver denoted as KY 07.0. The temporary extension is necessary for Kentucky Medicaid to continue to work with CMCS to answer all outstanding questions and finalize the Independent Waiver Assessment required by CMCS for the program. The Department issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) on October 9, 2013 seeking a qualified candidate to perform an Independent Assessment of Kentucky's Managed Care program as required by 42 CFR 431.55(b)(2).

The Department completed contract negotiations with the top scoring candidate, Deloitte Consulting on December 16th, 2013. A copy of the executed contract is attached for your review. The final report for the Independent Assessment of the Managed Care program is currently due March 31st, 2014. The Department anticipates the report being available for submission to CMCS for review within the 90 day extension period.

This waiver is the most vital part of Kentucky's on-going plan to control costs, while enhancing the coordination of quality care provided to our members. Your favorable consideration of this temporary extension is greatly appreciated. If you have additional questions please contact Neville Wise or Lisa Lee at 502-564-4321.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Kissner
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