

Department of Health & Human Services
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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July 15, 2016

John McCarthy, Director
Ohio Department of Medicaid
50 West Town Street, Suite 400
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) approves Ohio's 1915(c) home and community based services Level One waiver program amendment. The waiver will continue to serve individuals any age with mental retardation and/or developmental disabilities who otherwise would require placement in an immediate care facility for individuals with mental retardation (ICF/MR). The CMS has assigned this waiver renewal control number 0380.R03.M01, which the state should use in all future correspondence.

Effective August 1, 2016, this amendment reflects the changes required to align with the Medicaid State Plan to convert from a section 209(b) state to a section 1634 state, including specifying a transition plan, identifying the eligibility groups served in the waiver and revising state policies regarding post-eligibility treatment of income to reflect the conversion.

The CMS looks forward to working with the Ohio Department of Medicaid as it continues to administer this waiver. If the state has any questions, please contact Keri Toback at (312) 353-1754 or by e-mail at keri.toback@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ruth A. Hughes", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Ruth A. Hughes
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Icilda Dickerson, OH