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Department of Health & Human Services, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
7500 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

Dear Director Terry:

Thank you for the March 31, 2023 letter from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) offering Vermont an additional Performance Year for the Vermont All-Payer ACO Model, in accordance with the terms of the First Amended and Restated Vermont All-Payer Accountable Care Organization Model Agreement. We understand the additional Performance Year will begin on January 1, 2024 and end at 11:59 PM (EST) on December 31, 2024, unless the agreement is terminated sooner by Vermont or CMS under Section 21 of the Agreement.

We are writing to notify CMS of Vermont's acceptance of the offer for an additional Performance Year (PY7). Vermont considers PY7 to be a transition year to a new model, providing an opportunity to test innovations in the Medicaid program and continue collaboration with the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) on the development and continued improvement of a subsequent model.

We have appreciated the ongoing support from CMS and CMMI as we have worked together to transform health care payment, care delivery, and health outcomes under the current agreement. We look forward to continuing those efforts as we look to a new model in 2025 and beyond.

Sincerely,

Philip B. Scott

Owen Foster, Chair

Green Mountain Care Board

Jenney Samuelson, Secretary Agency of Human Services

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