

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight
200 Independence Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20201



April 21, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: grace.arnold@state.mn.us

Grace Arnold
Temporary Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Commerce
85 7th Place East, Suite 280
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Dear Commissioner Arnold:

On September 22, 2017, the Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of the Treasury approved Minnesota's State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Minnesota's approved application waives the ACA's requirement for the single risk pool to implement a state reinsurance program called the Minnesota Premium Security Plan for plan years 2018 through 2022. It is the Department of the Treasury's final administrative determination that Minnesota's pass-through funding amount for calendar year 2021 is \$77,757,419. This determination reflects federal law as of March 10, 2021. For information on how the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 may impact pass-through funding, please see here.¹

If you have any questions regarding program matters or official correspondence concerning the waiver, please contact Lina Rashid at Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov or stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey Grant", is located below the word "Sincerely,".

Jeffrey Grant
Acting Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight (CCIIO)
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

Cc:

Mark Mazur, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury
The Honorable Tim Walz, Governor, State of Minnesota
Anne O'Connor, Chief Deputy Commissioner and Chief of Staff, Minnesota Department of Commerce

¹ https://www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Programs-and-Initiatives/State-Innovation-Waivers/Section_1332_State_Innovation_Waivers-#pass-through

Peter Brickwedde, Assistant Commissioner of Government and External Affairs,
Minnesota Department of Commerce

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February 25, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: Steve.Kelly@state.mn.us

Steve Kelley
Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Commerce
85 7th Place East, Suite 280
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Dear Commissioner Kelley:

On September 22, 2017, the Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of the Treasury approved Minnesota's State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Minnesota's application sought to waive PPACA's requirement for the single risk pool to implement a state reinsurance program called the Minnesota Premium Security Plan for plan years 2018 through 2022. The pass-through funding associated with this waiver for calendar year 2021 is estimated to be \$77,757,419. This amount will be subject to a final administrative determination by the Department of the Treasury prior to payment.

We also acknowledge receipt of your February 5, 2021 letter, regarding Minnesota's pass-through calculation in relation to the state's Basic Health Program, and will respond to that inquiry separately.

If you have any questions regarding program matters or official correspondence concerning the waiver, please contact Lina Rashid at Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov, or stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov.

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Peter Brickwedde, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Commerce