

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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May 28, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: michele.eberle@maryland.gov

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Dear Director Eberle:

On June 28, 2023, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of the Treasury approved Maryland's application for an extension of its State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA). Maryland's approved extension application waives the ACA's requirement for the single risk pool to the extent necessary to implement a state reinsurance program called the Maryland State Reinsurance Program for plan years 2024 through 2028.

It is the Department of the Treasury's final administrative determination that Maryland's pass-through funding amount for calendar year 2024 is \$526,747,454, which must be used for purposes of implementing Maryland's State Innovation Waiver. This amount reflects changes in Maryland state law or regulation that impact the waiver, such as an expanded state subsidy for young adults.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff. If you have any questions regarding program matters or official correspondence concerning the waiver, please contact stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Wu
Acting Director, Center for Consumer Information & Insurance Oversight
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CC: Aviva Aron-Dine, Acting Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury
The Honorable Wes Moore, Governor, State of Maryland
Kathleen A. Birrane, Commissioner, Maryland Insurance Administration
Johanna Fabian-Marks, Director, Policy and Plan Management, Maryland Health Benefit Exchange (MHBE)
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This letter is to notify you that the pass-through funding associated with this waiver for calendar year 2024 is estimated to be \$526,747,454, which must be used for purposes of implementing Maryland's State Innovation Waiver. This amount reflects changes in Maryland state law or regulation that impact the waiver, such as an expanded state subsidy for young adults, as well as an expanded Easy Enrollment program. This amount will be subject to a final administrative determination by the Department of the Treasury prior to payment.

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