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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: eric.a.cioppa@maine.gov
Eric Cioppa
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Dear Superintendent Cioppa:

On July 30, 2018, the Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of the Treasury approved Maine’s State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Maine’s application sought to waive PPACA’s requirement for the single risk pool in order to implement a state reinsurance program called the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association for plan years 2019 through 2023. The pass-through funding associated with this waiver for calendar year 2020 is estimated to be $26,290,918. This amount reflects that Maine’s expansion of Medicaid eligibility was only partially implemented in 2019, but will be fully implemented for plan year 2020. This amount will be subject to a final administrative determination by the Department of the Treasury prior to payment.

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

Sincerely,

Randy Pate
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Deputy Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Cc: David Kautter, Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury
    The Honorable Janet Mills, Governor, State of Maine
    Marti Hooper, Life and Health Actuary, Maine Bureau of Insurance
    Holly Doherty, Staff Attorney, Maine Bureau of Insurance