DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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September 7, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov

Andrew Stolfi
Director and Insurance Commissioner
Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services
350 Winter Street NE
Salem, OR 97309

Dear Director Stolfi:

This letter is to notify you that, in part due to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, Oregon will receive a total of \$73,723,375 in pass-through funding to implement its State Innovation Waiver under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) for calendar year 2021.

As you are aware, on October 18, 2017, the Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of the Treasury (the Departments) approved Oregon's State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the ACA. Oregon's approved application waives the ACA's requirement for the single risk pool to the extent necessary to implement a state reinsurance program called the Oregon Reinsurance Program for plan years 2018 through 2022. On April 21, 2021, the Departments notified Oregon that they had determined that Oregon's pass-through funding amount for calendar year 2021 was \$54,775,261. This determination reflected federal law as of March 10, 2021, prior to the passage of the ARP. Among other changes, the ARP temporarily expanded the ACA's premium tax credit (PTC), increasing the generosity of the PTC for those who were already eligible under the ACA and making PTCs available to individuals with incomes above 400 percent of the federal poverty level for the first time.

The Departments have now completed their analysis of the effects of the ARP on pass-through funding. The Department of the Treasury's final administrative determination for Oregon's total pass-through funding for calendar year 2021, after accounting for the ARP, is \$73,723,375. As a result, Oregon will receive \$18,948,114 more in pass-through funding than the amount specified in the Departments' April letter.

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 Lina Rashid at Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov or stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Ellen Montz

Director

Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight (CCIIO)

Cc:

Mark Mazur, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury

The Honorable Kate Brown, Governor, State of Oregon

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April 21, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: Andrew.Stolfi@oregon.gov

Andrew Stolfi Director and Insurance Commissioner Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services 350 Winter Street NE Salem, OR 97309

Dear Director Stolfi:

On October 18, 2017, the Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of the Treasury approved Oregon's State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Oregon's approved application waives the ACA's requirement for the single risk pool in order to implement a state reinsurance program called the Oregon Reinsurance Program for plan years 2018 through 2022. It is the Department of the Treasury's final administrative determination that Oregon's pass-through funding amount for calendar year 2021 is \$54,775,261. 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 <u>Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov</u> or <u>stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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

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February 25, 2021

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL: Louis.D.Savage@oregon.gov

Lou Savage Interim Director Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services 350 Winter Street NE Salem, OR 97309

Dear Director Savage:

On October 18, 2017, the Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of the Treasury approved Oregon's State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Oregon's application sought to waive PPACA's requirement for the single risk pool in order to implement a state reinsurance program called the Oregon Reinsurance Program for plan years 2018 through 2022. The pass-through funding associated with this waiver for calendar year 2021 is estimated to be \$54,775,261. 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 Lina Rashid at <u>Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov</u>, or stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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