



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

WASHINGTON, DC 20201



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Ms. Larissa Payne
Director, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit
Office of Attorney General
P.O. Box 40114
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Dear Ms. Payne:

As provided under Federal regulations at 45 CFR § 1007.20(a)(4)(iv), the Office of Inspector General (OIG) approves the Washington Medicaid Fraud Control Unit's (MFCU or Unit) request for renewal of its data mining approval.

This approval covers a 3-year period beginning November 13, 2023 and ending November 12, 2026. Under the regulations, the MFCU may request renewal of this approval for additional 3-year periods by submitting a written request to OIG. An application for renewal should be submitted to OIG no later than September 29, 2026. Please ensure that you continue to include the costs and outcomes of your data mining activities as part of the Unit's recertification reapplication that is due each year by February 1, as outlined in section 1007.17(a)(1)(ii) of the regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Burbach of my staff at susan.burbach@oig.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

RICHARD STERN

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Richard Stern
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