

June 15, 2020

Lloyd Warford, Director Medicaid Fraud Control Unit Office of Arkansas Attorney General 323 Center Street, Suite 200 Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. Warford:

As provided under Federal regulations at 45 CFR § 1007.20(a), the Office of Inspector General (OIG) approves the application of the Arkansas Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to conduct data mining. In considering the application, we have consulted with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

This approval is valid for three years from the date of this letter. Under the regulations, the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit may request renewal of this approval for additional 3-year periods by submitting a written request to OIG. Please ensure that you include the outcomes of your data mining activities as part of the Unit's annual report that is due by November 1, 2020, as outlined in section 1007.17(a)(1)(ii) of the regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact Keith Peters of my staff at Keith.Peters@oig.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Stern

Richard Stern Director, Medicaid Fraud Policy and Oversight Division