

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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1. LOG NUMBER 0001211	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for the Director's signature DATE DUE _____
2. DATE SIGNED BY DIRECTOR <i>cc: Ms. Farber, Deps, CMS files</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prepare reply for appropriate signature DATE DUE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA DATE DUE _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Necessary Action

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November 3, 2009

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Department of Health & Human Services
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Dear Ms. Forkner,

In response to the August 4, 2009 request from the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is granting a 2 day temporary extension of South Carolina's Home and Community Based Waiver program for persons with mental retardation/developmental disabilities. This waiver (#0237.R03.05) is currently scheduled to expire December 29, 2009. The extension allows the waiver to continue operating through December 31, 2009 at the cost and utilization levels approved for the fifth year of the waiver program with Federal financial participation.

The CMS approval is in response to the State's request for additional time to extend the waiver through the end of the calendar year.

Please update the CMS on the progress of the revised waiver application and target dates for submission of waiver renewal applications as soon as possible. If you need any assistance, feel free to contact Kimberly Adkins-McCoy at (404) 562-7159 at the Atlanta Regional Office or David Reed of my office at 410-786-0861.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Platt".

Terry Platt
Acting Director

cc: Mary Kay Justice, Region IV
Suzanne Bossick, Central Office