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RE: South Carolina Medicaid's Medically Fragile Children's Program

Dear Ms. Forkner:

This letter is in response to your letter dated April 8, 2008 requesting that we extend the deadline to restructure the Medically Fragile Children's program by September 30, 2008. That deadline was issued by CMS on April 5, 2007, and specifically, we instructed South Carolina to submit a contract with an MCO entity to provide the services.

We now understand from your letter that South Carolina Medicaid plans to submit a combination of a 1915(c) and a 1915(a) authority waivers to replace the existing program by September 30, 2008. You also indicated that you would implement the waivers as soon as CMS approves them. Therefore, we approve the extension of the current program until January 1, 2009.

Should you have any questions, please contact Elaine Elmore at 404-562-7408.

Sincerely,

Jay Gavens
Acting Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations