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RE: 23 DE Reg. 184 [DMMA Proposed Drug Utilization Review Regulation (September 1, 2019)]

Dear Ms. Cunningham:

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed the DMMA proposal to amend the Title XIX Medicaid State Plan regarding the Drug Utilization Review (DUR). The proposal will specifically update provisions included in the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act (SUPPORT Act) (P.L. 115-271). Under the SUPPORT Act, all states with a Medicaid program that includes a drug benefit are required to have a DUR program, including safety measures for subsequent prescriptions of opioids. The proposed changes are consistent with the new federal requirements. Council supports this effort to address access to medications that may lead substance use disorders.

Thank you for this opportunity to share our comments with you. Please contact me or Wendy Strauss at the GACEC office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ann C Fisher

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Chairperson

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