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RE: 26 DE Reg. 410 [DHSS/DMMA Proposed Extension and Amendment of Diamond State Health Plan Section 1115 Waiver Regulation (November 1, 2022)]

Dear Ms. Doehring:

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed the Delaware Health and Social Services (DHSS)/Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (DMMA) proposal to amend the Diamond State Health Plan Section 1115 Waiver. Council **supports** the proposed changes.

DMMA is proposing four new changes in the extension period:

1. Expanding access by providing three-months of retroactive eligibility to all DSHP 1115 Waiver enrollees.
2. Piloting Medicaid coverage of Delaware's Food Box Initiative for postpartum members.
3. Adding Medicaid coverage of contingency management services for certain members with a stimulant use disorder and/or opioid use disorder.
4. Adding children's state plan dental services under the DSHP 1115 managed care delivery model.

Each of the proposed changes has the potential to be beneficial to individuals with disabilities and are therefore supported by the GACEC.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our comments. Please feel free to contact Pam Weir or me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ann C Fisher

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Chairperson

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