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Subject: NC Innovations Waiver – Extension Requested

The Division of Medical Assistance has made a request to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to change the requested implementation date of the Technical Amendment to the NC Innovations Waiver from April 1, 2016 to July 1, 2016. Feedback from families and other stakeholders at informational sessions emphasized that they were not comfortable implementing changes when CMS approval had not yet been received and there was no confirmation of the implementation date. A confirmed implementation date will allow for changes to be made with confidence to operational procedures at LME-MCOs. The July 1st date will also allow for implementation at the onset of the new fiscal year for providers and LME-MCOs.

If you have questions, please contact Deb Goda at (919)855-4297 or deborah.goda@dhhs.nc.gov

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