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Subject: Extension of Innovations Waiver Amendment Implementation

This Joint Communication Bulletin is to inform you that the implementation date for the NC Innovations Waiver amendment changes and resource allocation has been extended to November 1, 2016. The implementation date will be extended to allow additional time for CMS approval. This extension will also allow time for additional training and preparation to ensure the successful implementation of the Waiver amendment.

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