

# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Requested waiver approved  
/s/ Janet E. Phipps  
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Dear Ms. Phipps:


The Department of Human Services (DHS) is seeking a waiver, as described in 11 Iowa Admin. Code rule 118.16, regarding the contract for operations of the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise's Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS), MED-04-015-A.

Specifically, Iowa Medicaid seeks a waiver of the six-year contract limitation set forth in Section 118.11(3) applicable to service contracts. DHS is applying for this waiver because, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Request for Proposal (RFP) MED-18-004, Takeover of Core Medicaid Management Information System Services, was rescinded on April 5, 2018. DHS is planning to re-issue this RFP in July 2018 to procure a new vendor to operate the MMIS.

DHS is requesting to extend the existing contract through June 30, 2019, in order to continue critical MMIS functions that support the entire Medicaid population. Some of the critical functions include managed care member assignment and enrollment. The extension of the current MMIS contract will prevent a disruption in services for Medicaid members and providers.

Please approve a waiver of Iowa Admin. Code rule 118.11(3) because it is in the best interest of the Medicaid members and providers to continue Medicaid operations while DHS procures a new vendor to operate the MMIS. Attached you will find the most recent waiver approved on September 26, 2016, for the MMIS contract.

Sincerely,



Jerry R. Foxhoven  
Director

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Attachment

cc: Michael Randol, Medicaid Director