



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20201

December 8, 2016

The Honorable Asa Hutchinson  
Governor of Arkansas  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Governor Hutchinson,

I am pleased to notify you that today, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving a five-year extension of Arkansas's Medicaid section 1115 demonstration project entitled "Arkansas Works."

I appreciate our longstanding partnership and the dedicated and focused work from our teams throughout this process to reach this agreement. Arkansas's waiver has made great progress towards improving health coverage for Arkansans. Today's approval of the Arkansas Works model will allow the state to build on this success, while introducing new innovations in how you deliver coverage. Additional detail regarding the agreement can be found in the attached letter from Andy Slavitt, Acting Administrator of CMS, and in the special terms and conditions of the waiver.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sylvia M. Burwell". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Sylvia M. Burwell