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**State Demonstrations Group**

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Mr. Jason Helgerson  
Director  
Office of Health Insurance Programs  
New York State Department of Health  
Empire State Plaza  
Corning Tower (OCP – 1211)  
Albany, NY 12237

Dear Mr. Helgerson:

This letter is to inform you that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has received New York's Hospital-Medical Home final evaluation report required under the Special Terms and Conditions for the state's Partnership Plan section 1115 demonstration (Project No. 11-W-00114/2).

CMS accepts New York's report that found that all participating sites experienced some level of achievement and transformation. Notable improvements include reaching National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Level 3 status, restructuring training programs to increase residency time in ambulatory settings, and several improvements in inpatient quality and safety. CMS also notes several policy recommendations that are listed in the report. We look forward to relevant updates from New York on these recommendations and how it may be reflected in the state's ongoing delivery system reform efforts.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, or other questions regarding the Partnership Plan 1115 demonstration, please do not hesitate to contact your project officer, Ms. Deborah Steinbach at (410) 786-7404 or [Deborah.Steinbach@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Deborah.Steinbach@cms.hhs.gov).

We look forward to continuing to partner with you and your staff on the demonstration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Angela D. Garner', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Angela D. Garner  
Director, Division of System Reform Demonstrations

cc: Michael Melendez, Associate Regional Administrator, CMS New York