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Cindy Mann
Director, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Department of Health and Human Services
P.O. Box 8016
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Dear Director Mann:

WellPoint appreciates the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' ongoing work to dramatically expand access to Medicaid coverage under the Affordable Care Act. The agency has demonstrated a willingness to help states meet their Medicaid expansion goals which has resulted in greater access to care for millions of the nation's most vulnerable citizens. WellPoint is writing to express our support for the 1115 waiver application, submitted by the Indiana Department of Family and Social Services Administration designed to expand its Medicaid program. By approving the Healthy Indiana Plan 2.0 or "HIP 2.0" CMS will enable an additional 350,000 medically underserved individuals to access the primary care and preventive services needed to lead healthy lives.

WellPoint has a unique relationship with the state of Indiana. WellPoint's headquarters is in Indianapolis, and we have strong ties to the community. WellPoint and its affiliated health plan, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem) proudly serves more than 240,000 Hoosiers on Medicaid. Anthem has been serving members in the Healthy Indiana Plan since its inception in 2008, and today we are the plan of choice for 50 percent or 28,000 members enrolled in HIP. Due to the innovative approach of the HIP program, Anthem HIP members utilized the Emergency Room 33% less than our Hoosier Healthwise population last year. Our HIP members are invested in their health and well-being which is reflected in our high quality scores. CMS' approval of the 1115 waiver will allow us to improve on those gains and continue our tradition of providing care to thousands of individuals.

WellPoint works with the states we serve as they work to expand their Medicaid programs. HIP 2.0 is well crafted to meet the needs of the state of Indiana and its citizens.

WellPoint is working to transform health care with trusted and caring solutions. Our health plan companies deliver quality products and services that give their members access to the care they need. With nearly 67 million people served by its affiliated companies, including nearly 37 million enrolled in its family of health plans, WellPoint is one of nation's leading health benefits companies. WellPoint companies serve members as the Blue Cross licensee for California; and as the Blue Cross and Blue Shield



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licensees for Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Missouri (excluding 30 counties in the Kansas City area), Nevada, New Hampshire, New York (as the Blue Cross Blue Shield licensee in 10 New York City metropolitan and surrounding counties and as the Blue Cross or Blue Cross Blue Shield licensee in selected upstate counties only), Ohio, Virginia (excluding the Northern Virginia suburbs of Washington, D.C.), and Wisconsin. In most of these service areas, WellPoint does business as Anthem Blue Cross, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Georgia and Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield, or Empire Blue Cross (in the New York service areas). It also serves customers in other states through its Amerigroup, CareMore and UniCare subsidiaries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony Mader", written in a cursive style.

Anthony Mader