



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

626 8th Avenue, SE • P.O. Box 45502 • Olympia, Washington 98504-5502

August 28, 2015

Rayva Virginkar  
Health Insurance Specialist  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
CMS Medicare & Medicaid Coordination Offices  
200 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Ms. Virginkar:

This letter is in response to the July 16, 2015 notification to extend the Financial Alignment Demonstration of integrated models of care for people dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid benefits. The Health Care Authority would like to continue the demonstration past our current agreement, potentially through a two-year extension to December 31, 2018. We are interested in continuing conversations with the Centers for Medicaid and Medicaid Services about extending the program and recognize any agreements will be subject to final legislative approval.

As staff of the Medicare & Medicaid Coordination Office are well aware, these decisions rely on positive results of the shared savings analysis being conducted by Research Triangle Institute.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Alice Lind, Section Manager, by phone at 360-725-2053 or by email at [alice.lind@hca.wa.gov](mailto:alice.lind@hca.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

MaryAnne Lindeblad, BSN, MPH  
Medicaid Director

cc: Alice Lind, Section Manager, GPD, HCA