



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

WASHINGTON, DC 20201



March 13, 2026

Ms. Larissa Payne  
Director, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit  
Office of Attorney General  
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Dear Ms. Payne:

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) has reviewed the recertification package submitted by the Washington Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU), including the MFCU's performance narrative and the responses to the director's recertification questionnaire. We have also reviewed the MFCU's annual statistical report data as well as responses to questionnaires that we shared with the OIG, Office of Investigations, San Francisco Regional Office, and to the Washington Health Care Authority, Division of Program Integrity.

We have concluded that the Washington MFCU meets the Federal requirements for operation of a Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and recertify the MFCU for the one-year period of April 1, 2026, and ending March 31, 2027.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding your Unit's recertification, please contact Matt DeFraga of my staff at [Matt.Defraga@oig.hhs.gov](mailto:Matt.Defraga@oig.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

**MICHAEL HENRY** Digitally signed by MICHAEL HENRY  
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