



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

WASHINGTON, DC 20201



January 13, 2023

Arvids V. Petersons, Director  
Medicaid Fraud Control Unit  
Office of the Attorney General  
221 West High Street  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Mr. Petersons:

As provided under Federal regulations at 45 CFR § 1007.20(a), the Office of Inspector General (OIG) approves the application of the Missouri Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to conduct data mining. In considering the application, we have consulted with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

This approval covers a 3-year period beginning January 16, 2023 and ending January 15, 2026. Under the regulations, the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit may request renewal of this approval for additional 3-year periods by submitting a written request to OIG. An application for renewal should be submitted to OIG no later than December 1, 2025. Please ensure that you continue to include the outcomes of your data mining activities as part of the Unit's recertification reapplication that is due every year by November 1<sup>st</sup>, as outlined in section 1007.17(a)(1)(ii) of the regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Burbach of my staff at [Susan.Burbach@oig.hhs.gov](mailto:Susan.Burbach@oig.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

**RICHARD STERN** Digitally signed by RICHARD STERN  
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